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PLO suggests plan to end Beirut siege

BEIRUT, July 16 (R) — The Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) has proposed its commandos withdraw from Beirut to elsewhere in Lebanon as an interim measure to end the Israeli siege of the city, government sources said Friday.

Protracted efforts to end the month-old siege peacefully through a PLO withdrawal to another Arab state have so far foundered because a destination could not be found. In an effort to break the deadlock, PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat suggested in a meeting with Lebanese Prime Minister Shafiq Wazzan early Friday that his 5,000 to 6,000 fighters trapped in West Beirut should pull back to positions in eastern or northern Lebanon while talks continued to find a final foreign destination, the sources said.

They said Wazzan conveyed this idea to U.S. special peace envoy Philip Habib. Habib has been the key link with Israel throughout the peace negotiations. There was no immediate indication whether the new move would be acceptable to the U.S. and Israel. Habib made no substantive comment to reporters after his meeting with Wazzan.

The government sources said Arafat had suggested the PLO fighters move to Tripoli, where an unknown number of Palestinian commandos are already stationed, or the Bekaa Valley in eastern Lebanon. Israel has indicated during the negotiations it was willing to exclude PLO men in Tripoli from its demand that the commandos must leave Lebanon.

But during discussions on a possible withdrawal by road to Syria, Israel said it would need assurances the commandos would not stop in the Bekaa. Wazzan told reporters the new proposals made him optimistic because

they offered "something which may help us to overcome the obstacles."

The PLO proposals were the first serious initiative in the peace talks since last Friday when Syria — widely presumed to be the obvious destination for the PLO — refused to accept the commandos into its territory. Its refusal, repeated in Nicosia Thursday by Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam, stopped the talks just when they appeared to be making some progress.



SWEEPS CLEAN: A British policeman "sweeps clean" brushing away an intruding puddle of rain Thursday as he guards the gateway into Buckingham Palace. Police security at the palace is under severe criticism after an intruder entered the queen's bedroom Friday.

Tehran claims digging in Iraq routs Iranian invaders

BEIRUT, July 16 (Agencies) — Iraq said Friday Iranian forces have fled its territory, leaving behind nearly 5,000 dead, after an abortive invasion lasting less than 48 hours. The Iraqi statement conflicted with announcements from Tehran saying the Iraqis were digging in 20 kms inside occupied territory after repulsing an Iraqi counter attack. The Iraqis dismissed the Baghdad assertions as a lie. A military communique from Baghdad, quoted by the official Iraqi News Agency (INA), reported that Iraqi

forces Thursday night foiled another Iranian thrust east of the port city of Basra. It gave no details of the fighting but said the Iraqis were forced to flee in panic leaving behind hundreds of dead and wounded.

Earlier, Iraq said 4,733 persons had been killed since the new upsurge in the 22-month gulf war began Tuesday night. It gave no figure for Iraqi losses. A Baghdad communique said the Iraqis had also lost 96 tanks, 36 armored personnel carriers and 10 heavy guns.

There was no independent confirmation of either the Tehran or Baghdad versions of the battles of the past two days. But military experts noted that even if the Iraqis were still on Iraqi soil, the wide Shatt Al-Arab estuary still formed a barrier between them and Basra, Iraq's second biggest city and their declared objective.

The fighting appeared to have involved both infantry clashes and artillery duels and some limited air clashes near Basra. Two Iranian phantom jets were reported shot down in dogfights and the Iraqis also said they had destroyed a helicopter. Military experts said before the start of the Tehran government's cross-border thrust that Iran was weak in the air but stronger on the ground than Iraq.

Meanwhile, Radio Tehran said Friday that at least 30 Iraqis were killed and over 200 wounded following an Iraqi raid early Friday at Hamadan, some 350 kms west of the Iraqis capital.

The radio said Iraqi planes bombed the city — which has a population of over 20,000 — twice Friday in high altitude raids.

The number of casualties was expected to rise, the radio added, as operations continued to rescue civilians buried under the debris. Radio Tehran also reported that "violent clashes" occurred overnight between Iranian

and Iraqi forces around Bayat, near Delhoran in Iran province, some 300 kms north of the southern front.

The fighting lasted two hours, but "the enemy fled after losing men and equipment," the radio said. An Iraqi counteroffensive on the southern front met with "determined resistance from Islamic fighters" who killed 600 Iraqi troops, the radio added, quoting an Iranian military communique.

At the United Nations, the Security Council expressed concern Thursday at the "serious situation existing between Iran and Iraq" and the failure so far to implement a ceasefire resolution adopted by the council Monday. A statement read to reporters by Council President Noel Siwaar of Guyana said: "The president will remain in contact with the two sides concerned, with a view to exploring all possible means of advancing the efforts to achieve an end to the fighting and to secure a settlement of the underlying issues."

Saddam's ouster move played down

NICOSIA, July 16 (Agencies) — While Ayatollah Khomeini vowed Friday in Tehran to topple the Iraqi regime of President Saddam Hussein, the Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati, who is attending a meeting of the coordinating committee of the nonaligned movement, said Saddam's ouster was merely a recommendation and did not constitute a condition for ending the Gulf war.

In a message to the people read by his son, Ayatollah Khomeini said that Iran will not rest until "our demands for war reparations and toppling the regime of Saddam are met." But Velayati said Friday that the Iranian objective in launching the offensive against Iraq was to make Iranian border areas safe from Iraqi artillery.

Velayati said Iranian appeals to the Iraqis to rise up against "the regime of Saddam" were simply a "recommendation" in Iraq's best interests. Velayati added that Iran was demanding reparations for human and material damage inflicted by Iraqi forces.

Velayati who heads the Iranian delegation, excluded the possibility of any contact with Iraqi officials at the conference. "We have no desire to talk to the aggressor," he said.

On Lebanon, Velayati confirmed that Iran was providing political, economic and military aid to Palestinian fighters currently encircled by Israeli forces in West Beirut. He confirmed that volunteers from Iranian regular forces had been sent to Lebanon, though he did not say how many.

He denied reports that Iran now has links with Israel in the war against Iraq. "The United States and Israel are two sides of the same coin," he said. "How could we have relations with Israel?" With Syria, however, Velayati said Iran has "special relations."

Spain joins NATO panel

BRUSSELS, July 16 (R) — Spain took its seat for the first time at NATO's Military Committee Thursday, soon after the Western alliance began studies of the issues posed by entry of its 16th member-state.

Air Force Gen. Jose Peralba was welcomed by the committee, NATO's highest military authority, whose task is to advise the Atlantic Council on security matters. France and Iceland, which are not in NATO's integrated military structure, do not sit on the 14-member body.

Following Spain's official entry six weeks ago, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization set up a group to study the problems caused by its future integration, NATO sources said. The trickiest issue is Spain's demand for a new NATO command to cover all Spanish territories from the Balearics in the Mediterranean to the Canary Islands in the Atlantic, plus the British colony of Gibraltar, they said.

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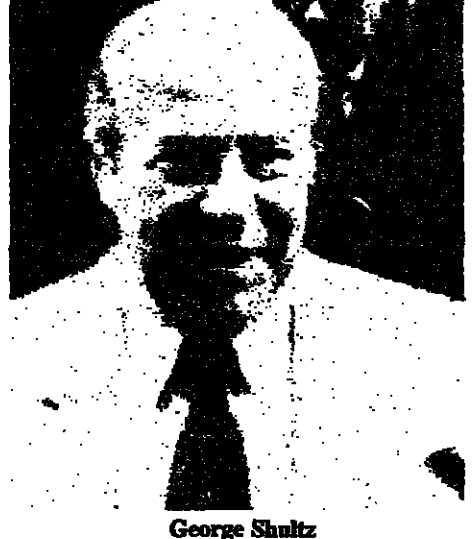
Briton scales Buckingham

LONDON, July 16 (Agencies) — A man tried to scale the wall around Buckingham Palace Wednesday evening, but escaped when he was spotted and chased, Scotland Yard said Thursday night.

The incident occurred only a few days after another man, Michael Fagan, turned up in Queen Elizabeth's bedroom in the palace last Friday and sat on her bed, chatting with her until she managed to summon help.

In the Wednesday evening incident, the man tried to get over the wall near the south wing of the palace, and about 50 policemen and some police dogs tried vainly to catch him, Scotland Yard said. The Yard also said that a second policeman on duty at Buckingham Palace last Friday had been transferred to a London police station. It had said Tuesday that a plainclothes officer had been transferred to uniformed duty elsewhere.

Shultz sworn in secretary of state



George Shultz

Chicken genocide deplored by French

PARIS, July 16 (AFP) — The International and French Leagues for Animal Rights have denounced the "genocide" of more than 200,000 chickens killed by last week's heat wave in battery farms in southern France.

The leagues said the chickens had died under "particularly atrocious conditions." The two organizations said in a communique that compensation paid to farmers should be tied to a "recommendation" to return to natural methods of chicken breeding.

The International League for Animal Rights is presided by Professor Georges Heuse of the Institute of Human Biology. The French League is led by Nobel prize winner Professor Alfred Kastler.

In addition, Scotland Yard said Thursday night that police sergeant Cyril Hunt, 54, who was on duty Friday had been suspended from his duties. Sergeant Hunt said that he had offered his resignation, but had been refused.

Meanwhile, Queen Elizabeth said Thursday she hoped the people will quickly forget last Friday night's much-publicized incident when a stranger turned up in her bedroom. This is what the queen told luncheon guests at the palace, one of whom was television actor Eddington.

According to Eddington, the queen said that she first thought the intruder was a servant come to draw the curtains. "She thought it could be nobody else because no one else should have been there," the actor reported. "Then she suddenly realized that he wasn't a servant because he was odd looking."

Shultz sworn in secretary of state

WASHINGTON, July 16 (Agencies) — George Shultz who was Thursday unanimously confirmed by the U.S. Senate as the new Secretary of State was sworn in Friday by President Reagan at the White House.

During the confirmation debate, only two Senators expressed reservations but both said they were voting for him in the hope that he could help bring a Middle East settlement. The Senate voted 97-0 to approve Shultz 61, successor to Alexander Haig who resigned in June in a policy dispute with the White House.

At confirmation hearings before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Shultz said his challenge would be to bring the stalled Middle East peace effort back to life. He said Palestinian representatives must participate in negotiations for Palestinian self-rule and other Arab state must be drawn into a comprehensive peace effort.

During Thursday debate, Democratic Senator Howard Metzenbaum said he was torn on whether Shultz' Arab associations would hurt chances for peace or put him in a unique position to enlist Arab nations in a new peace effort.

Before his nomination, Shultz was president of the giant Bechtel Group, a construction firm which has many contracts in Middle East. "The possibility that he can carry the peace process forward causes me to vote him," Sen. Metzenbaum said. Shultz insisted during the hearings that his previous business ties would not affect his decisions.

Reagan in a statement Thursday complimented the Senate for its wisdom in confirming Shultz. "The Senate's swift action augurs well for continued cooperation between the Congress and the executive branch and for strong leadership at the State Department," Reagan said. "I also want to compliment Shultz on his impressive performance before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee," he added.

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Samba arranges \$111.7m credit facilities

For sewage works, Makkah projects

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, July 16 — The Saudi American Bank (Samba) has provided syndicated guarantees for \$111.7 million worth of projects during the past week, according to a statement by the bank Friday.

Samba lead managed a \$71.3 million syndicated guarantee facility for a wholly-owned Saudi Arabian contractor. The agreement with Arabian Cooperation Company (Acco) was signed here July 8 by Sheikh Muhammad Sulaiman Al-Saikhian, managing partner of the company.

The facility will provide bonding for three

water supply, sewage and storm water draining projects in various parts of the Kingdom. Samba arranged for syndication funds with Acco's banks in the record time of one week.

The other banks in the syndicate, for which Samba is agent, are the Bank of Bahrain and Kuwait BSC, Banque Nationale de Paris, Citibank NA, Saudi-Cairo Bank, Societe General (Paris) Bahrain Branch and the Arab Investment Company.

"This successful syndication was the first entry of Acco into the markets, illustrates the growing reputation of Saudi Arabian contractors and reflects Samba's ability to arrange major deals for those contractors."

explained George Kanaan, vice president and head of the commercial banking group. "This is our second major deal for a local contractor in less than three weeks."

"This activity also reflects the financial requirements created by the government policy that Saudi Arabian companies should take a bigger share of the construction market," he said, "particularly for infrastructure projects. We expect this trend to continue together with a growing role for Samba in arranging contract finance."

In a Saudi-Turkish joint venture, Samba lead managed a \$40 million package for construction contracts in Makkah signed July 11 with the Artec Bimhol joint venture concerns for one of the largest tunnel building plans ever awarded in Saudi Arabia. Signors in the project include the Arabian Technical Contracting Company (Artec), a Saudi construction company and manufacturer of building materials; and Birlesmis Muteahhitler Hold-

ings (Bimhol), a consortium of Turkish contractors.

The agreement provides \$30.3 million in guarantee facilities and \$10.1 million for working capital. The facilities will be used for the Makkah inner Ring Road contracts No. 1 and 2 for building four tunnels within Makkah. The projects are now under way and the joint venture firm has recently broken through in the first of the tunnels.

Samba is the agent bank and lead manager. Managers for the project include Al Bahrain Arab African Bank (E.C.), 'Al Baab' of Bahrain; The Arab Investment Company SAA (Taic) of Riyadh; Continental Illinois Ltd., London; Al Ubaif Group, Bahrain and UBAF Arab American Bank of New York. Co-managers are the Bank of America NT and SA, Bahrain, and Saudi Lebanese Bank for the Middle East, Paris.

The \$40.5 million package is one of the largest yet for a Saudi Turkish joint venture.



(Photo by Giovanni Pasquale)

NEWS HOUSE: Al-Madinah newspaper printing and publishing house, one of the most modern in the Arab world, opened for business in Jeddah recently. It is located at what the municipality has appropriately called Sahafah, journalism, street. More publishing houses are due for construction there in the near future. Al-Madinah editor in chief, Muhammad Mahmoud told Arab News that the building has cost in excess of SR40 million as it has been equipped with some of the latest printing techniques capable of producing a 48-page newspaper if needs be.

Water firm to boost output

MAKKAH, July 16 — An increase of 33 percent in the amount of bottled water produced by the Makkah Water Company has been predicted by the firm's board of directors for 1983.

The import and consumption curves of mineral water, according to Saudi Business, match those of the Kingdom's oil exports, recording steady rises over the last decade and a half. The Saudi Arabian bottled water market, once monopolized by the French, opened its doors to local investors back in 1975, when imaginative Saudi Arabian businessman Dr. Gaith Rashad Pharaon launched the Makkah Water Company.

Launched by Dr. Pharaon with a total paid-up capital of \$8 million, the Makkah water factory recently has achieved its licensed capacity production level of 50.5 million liters, factory manager A.K. Lawn told Saudi Business.

"We have very ambitious expansion plans for next year and have already completed phase one of our project by achieving licensed capacity production," Lawn said. "From the present annual production of 2.7 million cartons, the company has set a new target of 3.6 million cartons for next year."

Locally bottled water entered the competition for Saudi Arabian sales only recently, while some of the imported brands have been selling here for 15 years. With limited raw materials involved in the industry, prices are mainly governed by transportation costs to the various markets. The price of domestic products in different cities can thus be calculated by measuring the distance between the factory and the retailer.

Prices of imported bottled water fluctuate in a similar fashion depending upon the distance from the port city. High transportation costs appear to be a main factor for the gradual elimination of French products like

Eid prayer fields

DAMMAM, July 16 (SPA) — The Eastern Province's Endowments and Mosques Department is currently preparing Eid prayer fields and mosques in various parts of the region. Loud speakers and mats are being supplied to squares where the prayers are to be held, officials said.

Have information about local news? Important upcoming events? Contributors with information about local news or stories of local interest should contact Dave Kaiser at 653-4743 or 653-2911, Jeddah.

Tele Santana to coach Ahli

By a staff writer



Tele Santana

four years. Their former Brazilian coach, Didi, had begun rebuilding the team two years ago by channeling young bold, however, with unsatisfactory results.

Santana is seen here as the man who restored the sparkle to the Brazilian soccer legend by developing a young team. The same task will await him with Ahli.

Santana, 51 comes from Minas Gerais in Brazil. He was a member of the Brazilian team which first snatched the World Cup in 1958.

JEDDAH, July 16 — Arrangements are being completed for the world-famous Brazilian soccer coach Tele Santana to train the Jeddah soccer club, according to Al-Jazirah.

A meeting will take place Saturday in Brazil between Santana and Ahli's representative there Dr. Abdul Razzaq Abu Dawood. At that time final preparations will be made for the Brazilian coach's trip to Saudi Arabia and his arrival here shortly after Eid al-Fitr.

"Bring a team from Mars to defeat them," television commentator Akram Saleh mused, as the Brazilians battered fellow Argentines in the World Cup match, paying tribute to the great mind behind the brilliant performance. Saudi Arabians are zealous fans of Brazil.

But a fatal slip ousted the Brazilian team, at the hands of Italy, from the second round of the world tournament.

However, neither officials of the local club told the size of Santana's contract nor the media speculated so far.

Ahli is one of Saudi Arabia's glorious teams which has faltered during the past

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Dhuhr (Noon)	12:27	12:28	11:59	11:46	12:10	12:40
Asr (Afternoon)	3:41	3:50	3:22	3:13	3:38	4:12
Maghreb (Sunset)	7:07	7:13	6:45	6:35	6:59	7:33
Isha (Night)	9:07	9:13	8:45	8:35	8:59	9:33

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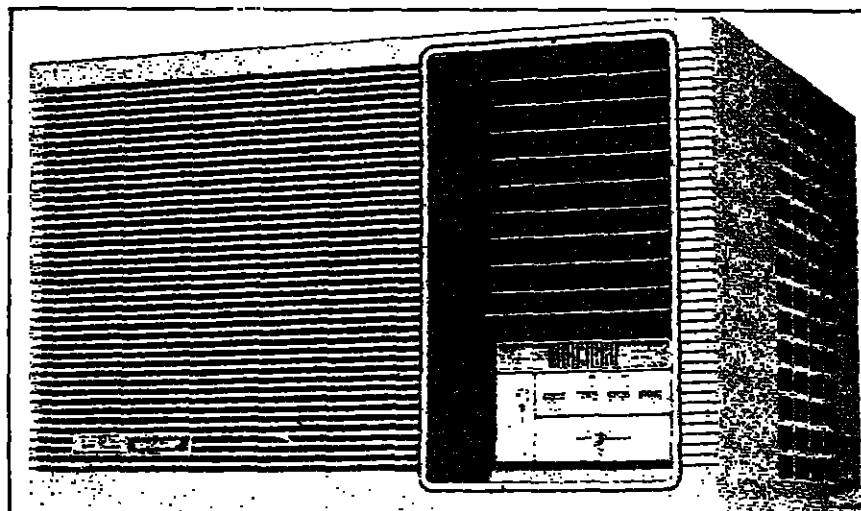
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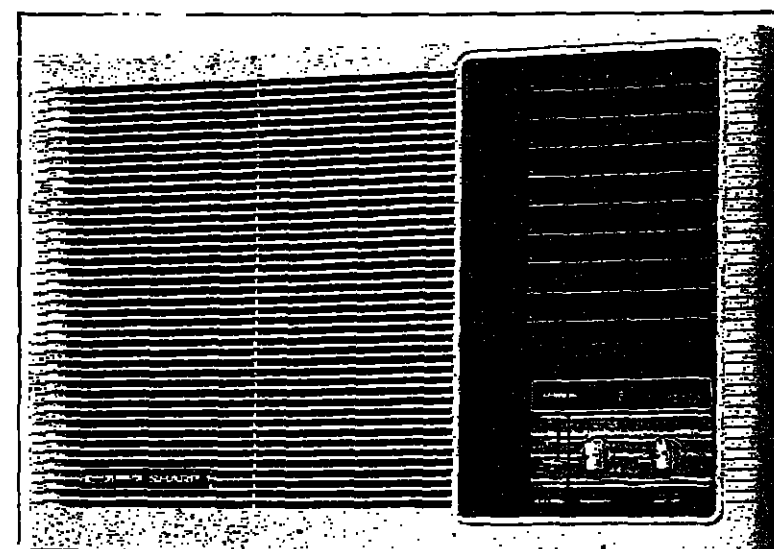
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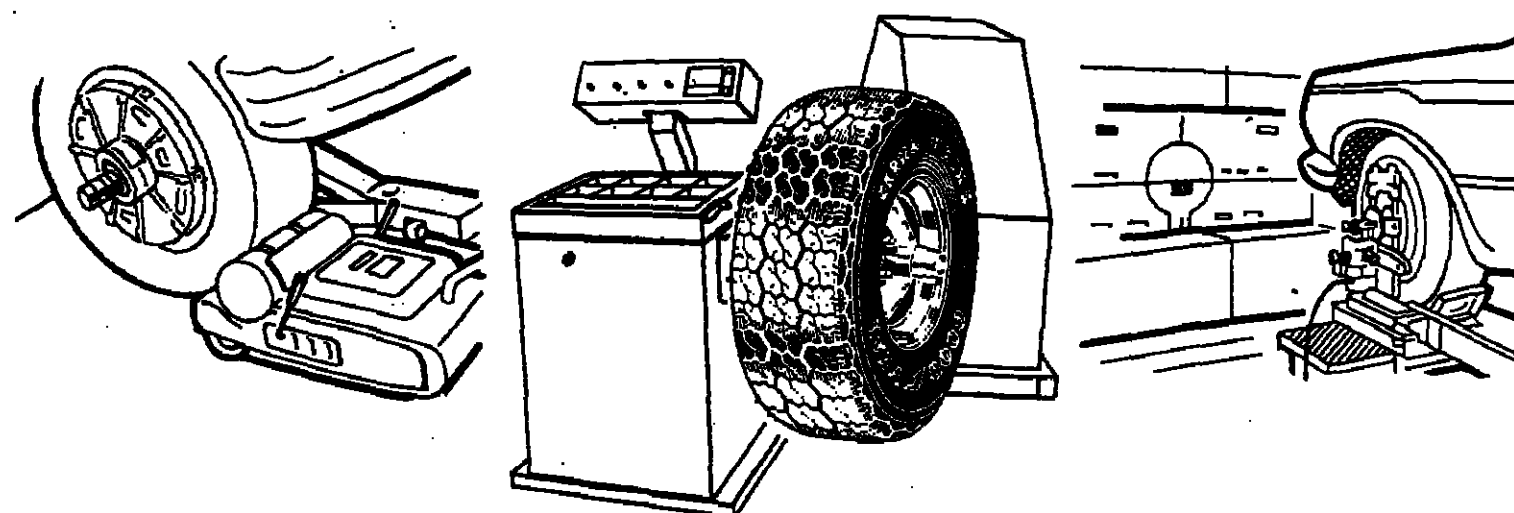
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PLO aide foresees W.Beirut showdown

BEIRUT, July 16 (AP) — The security chief of the Palestine Liberation Organization has said a military showdown on the streets of West Beirut was a "foremost probability" between trapped commandos and Israeli forces ringing the Lebanese capital.

"We are engaged in political negotiations but a fight remains the foremost probability," said Salah Khalaf, better known as Abu Iyad, in a speech Thursday over the PLO's "Voice of Palestine" radio station. "We are prepared to fight and shall do it with everything we have, even with our nails."

An estimated 35,000 Israeli soldiers and 300 tanks besiege the city while naval gunboats seal off sea routes for the beleaguered commandos.

Meanwhile in Rome, Defense Minister Lelio Lagorio said Thursday that Italy is willing to contribute troops to an international peacekeeping force to supervise the PLO's evacuation from Beirut. His statement followed a request Wednesday by Lebanon's government for the creation of such a force, and the withdrawal of Israeli, Syrian and PLO armies from the country.

France has offered to send its troops as the vanguard of the multinational force, to which U.S. President Ronald Reagan has agreed in principle to contribute 1,000 U.S. Marines.

Lagorio, speaking before a meeting of his Socialist Party, said Italy would participate in the peacekeeping efforts if certain conditions were met. "It must be a force to separate the warring parties, to guarantee the integrity of Lebanon" and must be designed to "bring about an Israeli pullback and induce Syria to leave the region."

In Tel Aviv, former Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin proposed Friday that the Palestinian commandos in Beirut be moved northward to the Lebanese city of Tripoli as a way out of the impasse in negotiations for a Lebanon settlement.

Rabin told Israel radio that the central problem — finding a place for the commandos to go — could be solved by moving them to Tripoli, and their evacuation from Lebanon could be dealt with later in negotiations for the removal of all foreign forces from Lebanese soil.

Oxfam official declares

S. Lebanon without medical care

By Anne Whitehouse

London Bureau

LONDON, July 16 — South Lebanon is now without medical services and private hospitals which have opened their doors to emergency war casualties will soon close their doors again, Middle East area coordinator of the relief agency Oxfam, Peter Coleridge, said here Thursday.

Coleridge flew in to London from Cyprus Wednesday after spending two weeks in Lebanon assessing the "desperate need of the Lebanese and Palestinian people."

He said there were three main areas where relief was needed: West Beirut, the Bekaa Valley and South Lebanon. Free from the Israeli occupation, West Beirut and the Bekaa Valley were able to receive the relief

aid of the international agencies. But in South Lebanon, the Israelis have assumed control over all relief work and are not allowing any agencies apart from UNWRA to operate. The international agencies have to arrange for UNWRA to distribute their aid, but many Palestinian UNWRA employees are frightened to operate, and the agency's efficiency is reduced. The Palestine Red Crescent is not permitted to operate at all.

Coleridge said he had made many enquiries as to whether Israeli medical aid was being distributed in South Lebanon, but had received no first hand or second hand support that it did hand evidence. The Lebanese and International Red Cross teams are functioning, but are focusing on tracing families and missing persons.

BRIEFS

ANKARA (AP) — A martial law court in southern Turkey Friday sentenced four defendants to death on conviction of killing three political rivals and trying to overthrow the constitutional order by force, the semi-official Anatolia news agency reported. Those sentenced to death were identified as rightist terrorists Sait Demirekin, Osman Yilmaz, Mustafa Gulnar and Muhsin Kehga.

WASHINGTON (R) — U.S. authorities have bowed to public pressure and agreed to allow thousands of Ethiopian exiles to remain

in the country indefinitely. Acting on a recommendation of the State Department, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) said it had reinstated its "voluntary departure program" for certain Ethiopian nationals living in this country.

DAR ES SALAAM (AFP) — Egyptian Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali has arrived here carrying an official message for Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere from Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.



TOUR: Yasser Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, holds a baby girl in his arms Thursday as he tours the area around the Arab University of Beirut. The happy mother of the child looks on. Arafat also toured fighters in the besieged Lebanese capital.

Mideast, Horn issues evaluated

Mubarak, Numeiri agree on regional security steps

CAIRO, July 16 (R) — Presidents Hosni Mubarak of Egypt and Jaafar Numeiri of Sudan have conferred on developments in the Middle East and the Horn of Africa, agreeing on measures to maintain regional security, the official Middle East News Agency (MENA) said. The two leaders Thursday discussed the Lebanese conflict, the Gulf war between Iraq and Iran and the Somali-Ethiopian dispute, the agency said.

"They have agreed on a unified stand and specific measures which would maintain the strategic security of the region and safeguard the vital interests of the Arab nation," MENA said. It did not elaborate.

Mubarak called Thursday for an Arab

summit meeting to discuss the three conflicts which he said were being fought by the superpowers at the expense of the region's people.

Numeiri, in Egypt on a private visit, held talks with Mubarak earlier this week on Middle East issues. Sudan, partner with Egypt to a political and economic integration pact signed several years ago, is one of three Arab states that maintained diplomatic relations with Egypt after its 1979 peace treaty with Israel. The other two are Somalia and Oman.

Earlier Thursday at a joint news conference at the end of his talks with West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, Mubarak said an Arab summit conference should discuss not only the Palestinian-Lebanese problem but also the Iraq-Iran war and the Somali-Ethiopian conflict "because they are all related to each other and constitute a danger to peace in the region."

He added: "I am ready to go anywhere in the world to attend this meeting." He said a Palestinian withdrawal from Lebanon "under the Israeli occupation will not solve the problem. It will create more problems in the region."

Mubarak urged the European community to "exert pressure on the United States to open a dialogue with the Palestinians."

U.S. Embassy in Dacca attacked

DACCA, July 16 (AP) — A group of more than 100 Palestinians, Arabs and Bangladeshis attacked the U.S. Embassy here Friday to protest Israel's invasion of Lebanon. There were no injuries and damage was considered light.

Police said nine foreign nationals were taken into custody for questioning.

Bakhtiar, Rajavi rap Iran's thrust into Iraq

PARIS, July 16 (AP) — Former Iranian Premier Shapour Bakhtiar and Massoud Rajavi, leader of the leftist Iranian opposition movement, Mujahadeen, condemned Iran's invasion of Iraq in separate statements released Thursday from their French exiles.

From his headquarters northwest of Paris, Rajavi said the regime of Ayatollah Khomeini was using the war with Iraq "to conceal profound internal crises" and justify its repressive policies. "The entry into Iraq by Khomeini's forces proves his expansionist policies and complete disregard for peace and the resolutions of the U.N. Security Council," Rajavi's statement said. "He has proved that the Middle East will not enjoy peace and friendship as long as he is present."

The Mujahadeen leader said the Iranian invasion was undertaken to divert attention from the Lebanese crisis and showed Khomeini's "cooperation with Israel against Arab states."

Rajavi fled Iran a year ago with former Iranian President Abolhasan Bani-Sadr and with him has been fighting to overthrow the 3-year-old Iranian republic.

Bakhtiar, who was appointed premier by the late Shah in a last-ditch effort to stave off the Iranian revolution, served only 9 days in that post before going underground and escaped to France.

From his headquarters in western Paris suburb, Bakhtiar said the Iranian regime has "launched a dangerous offensive that can serve no purpose but to label Iran as the aggressor."

Bakhtiar said the Iranian invasion would "jeopardize Iran's just demand for war repara-

tations and cause predictable consequences in human lives and material damages at a time when the nation can no longer bear the massacre and sacrifices of its children for the satisfaction of Khomeini's whims."

Tass defends performance of Soviet weapons

MOSCOW, July 16 (R) — Soviet weaponry has proved its quality during the fighting in Lebanon and Syrian forces showed they have mastered it well, the official news agency Tass has said.

Defending the performance of Soviet-made tanks, planes and missiles, Tass accused Western news media of accepting Israeli's "doctored figures" which inflated Syrian losses and covered up the real damage suffered by Israeli forces.

Repeating Syrian figures for the opening stages of the war last month, Tass said Israel had lost 120 tanks, 67 planes and several air defense missile units. "These figures testify to the quality and potentialities of Soviet-made weaponry and show that Syrian personnel have properly mastered it," Tass said.

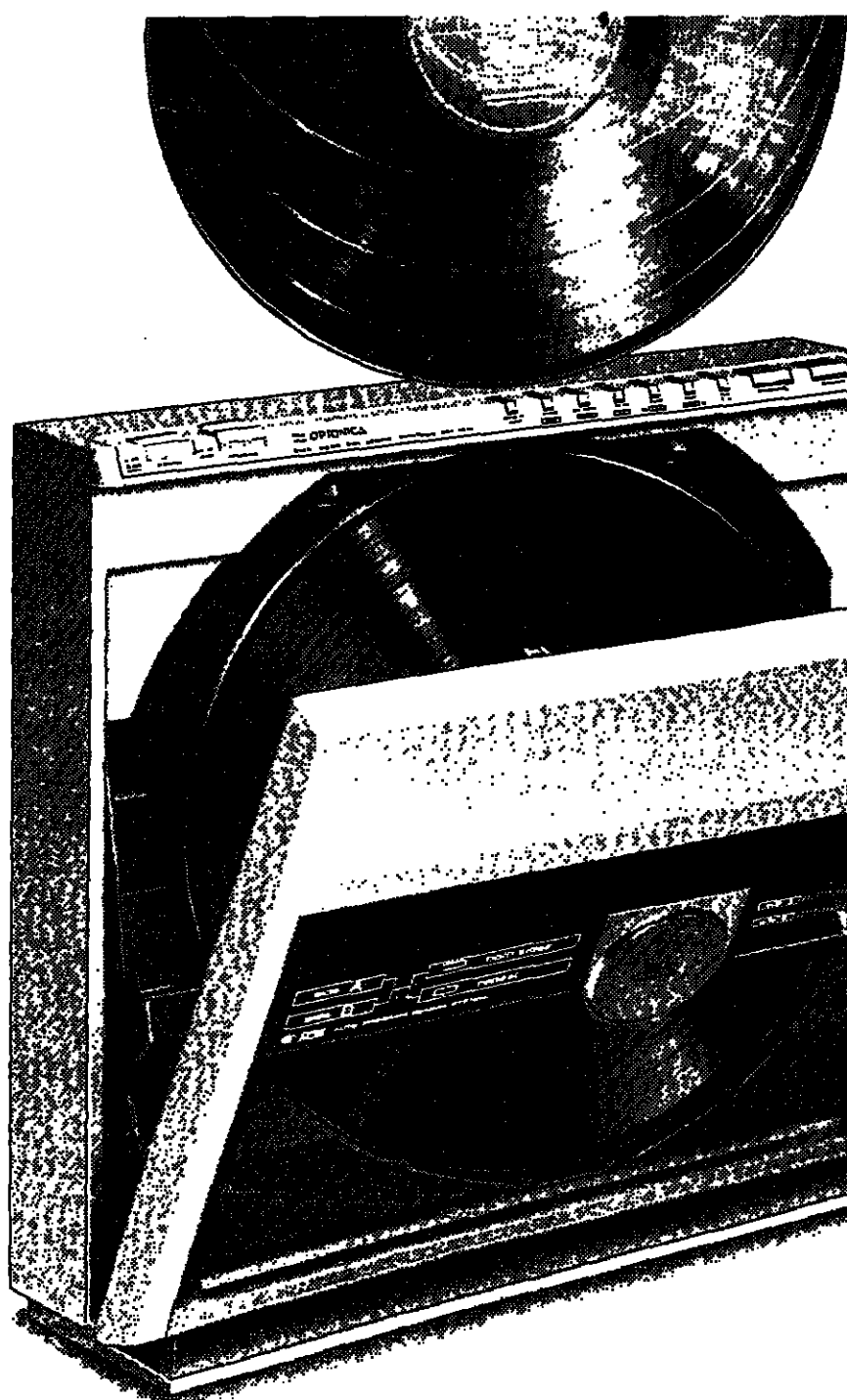
It was also the use of Soviet-made missile batteries which had enabled Syria to repel strafing attacks by Israel's air force in violation of a ceasefire declared last month, the agency added.



MEETS MUBARAK: West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher (left) seen talking to Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak Thursday. The two men discussed the Lebanon and Palestinian questions.

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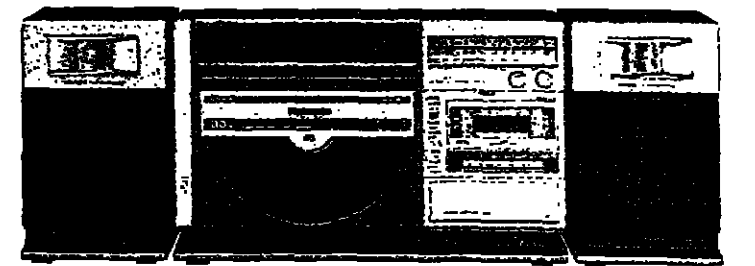
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Against disciplined British Marines

Argentines lost for want of will

By Patrick Bishop

LONDON (LOS) — He was in Port Stanley buying chocolate in the supermarket when I saw him again, a shy para lieutenant who was 22 years old and looked 17. The last time we had met had been on the liner *Canberra* sailing south, four weeks and a small war before. "They tell me you're a hero now," I said; he looked both pleased and embarrassed.

Three Para (3rd Battalion of the Parachute Regiment) were pinned down by Argentine machine gunners on Mount Longdon and the lieutenant had led an attack to knock out the position. Now there was talk of a medal.

The lieutenant made a slightly surprising hero. On the way down he had been regarded as the baby of the unit and the butt of some mild joking. His transformation, though, was just another example of the dramatic difference between the way things appeared on the journey down and how they turned out to be in fact.

A fortnight before the landing, none of us really believed that it would happen. The night before we set sail, the journalists held a sweepstake on the date that *Canberra* would turn round. My bet was within seven days. The longest was May 27. During the last four weeks of the voyage, every day would bring a new and nasty reminder that the fighting was getting closer.

I was issued with dog-tags bearing my name and religion, and a phial of morphine. I started to take first-aid classes seriously and to listen intently at lectures on how to dig a shell-scrape.

Gradually the need to maintain one's independence from the military felt less and less pressing. I began pounding round the deck behind the "toms" as they stomped along chanting "if you've got a low IQ, you can be a para too," breaking in my new boots.

Despite the mental bracing that had gone on throughout the voyage nothing could have prepared us for the experience of being on a ship on Friday, May 21, in San Carlos water. On *Canberra* it started with a scene of bizarre innocence with the ladies of the P & O crew strolling around the promenade deck to get their first sight of the Falklands, rather like inquisitive nineteenth century memsahibs docking at Bombay.

An hour later they were lying flat on the decks while the Argentine Air Force tried to sink the ship. The civilian crew behaved with incredible sang-froid, especially as they had been told repeatedly that the ship would not be going anywhere near the fighting, calmly taking cover as attack after attack went in. Their coolness was in contrast to the Marine major who dived into a strongroom slamming the door behind him every time the planes arrived.

We all remembered with horrible clarity the statistics for survival in the icy waters of the South Atlantic — about five minutes if you were lucky.

Sitting out the attacks below decks was much worse than watching what was going on above, as it was impossible to tell whether the shudders and thuds were the sound of a ship being hit or the noise of friendly fire. By contrast watching the Argentine planes coming in was exhilarating.

All hopes that I could report these events dispassionately vanished when I found myself cursing as an Argentine pilot desperately twisted his Skyhawk to safety out of the track of a pursuing Sea Cat missile.

At last 42 Royal Marine Commando, the unit I was attached to, were ready to go ashore. Being ashore was always better than being afloat. With shellfire you quickly learned to distinguish between friendly outgoing ("bang... whizz") and incoming ("bang... bang"). The parachute (parashute illumination) shells were in some ways the most upsetting. They lit up the already

dramatic scenery like a horror film set.

You felt you were entirely visible to every Argentine soldier for miles around. During the few hours I was under shellfire I experienced brief, intense moments of fear; but you knew that if you were dug in only a direct hit was likely to kill you, although this was rumored to have happened to one unlucky man who had his head knocked off by a shell. "His number was definitely on that one," the teller would say whenever the story was repeated.

The navy broadcasts during air attacks produced the best lines. "I have mixed news," said one commander during a red alert. "The good news is that we have four enemy aircraft closing from the west, presenting a superb target for our Harriers and missiles. The bad news is that they are Super Etendards with Exocets."

Returning from days spent on the hills, I marveled that the Marines were not only staying cheerful in such conditions but actually seemed to be enjoying it. Their bivouacs grew more and more grandiose. They started off as a shallow pit, built up with rocks round the sides and covered with a waterproof poncho. Then the men started adding peat cladding for camouflage and extending walls like suburban DIY enthusiasts.

They showed the same ingenuity with the rations. A favorite meal was combat porridge, a calorie-packed mixture of instant oats, chocolate powder and pulverized biscuits all mixed with hot water, that was guaranteed to kick-start any bootie (Marine) or tom (para) into a new day regardless of how bitter the night before had been.

But by the time we got to Stanley, everyone was too weary for celebrations. Standing on Stanley airfield, waiting for a Hercules home, an SAS captain remarked that if we had been fighting the French or the Germans it would have been a different story. We won, he said, because the Argentines were "military pygmies."

Apart from their Air Force, and their gunners at Goose Green, the Argentine troops did show a remarkable disinclination to fight. They knew a landing was imminent in the Port San Carlos area because several hours before the troops went ashore a high-flying plane spotted the Task Force fleet creeping along Falkland Sound; the pilot signaled back to the land forces a message that was inter-

cepted by British signals intelligence. No move was made to helicopter troops to the area. If even half an Argentine regiment had been shifted to Port San Carlos it is unlikely that the Marines and paras would ever have got ashore.

Argentine equipment could not be faulted. At Goose Green I saw stacks of wicked-looking Browning heavy machine guns that had been taken from their cases. The most sought-after items of loot were \$50,000 night sights found in many Argentine positions. On top of Mount Harriet I saw a brand new radar system that had never been set up.

Nor, contrary to the propaganda, were they ill-fed or badly clothed. To the great annoyance of the British troops, Argentine ration packs included tins of beef, powdered fruit juice, letters and envelopes, cakes of soap and razors. They slept on foam mattresses.

What was lacking was will. The NCOs were incapable of keeping their men in position once the shooting got serious. After the raid on Pebble Island, where the troops had melted away once their officer had been shot by the SAS, British officers were told to "shoot the guy who's waving his arms about."

Intelligence reports suggest that the Argentine garrison gave up hope immediately after Goose Green. A signal from Gen. Menendez, the Argentine forces commander at Port Stanley, to Gen. Galtieri was intercepted by British signals intelligence on the evening of the Goose Green surrender. Menendez reported that defeat was inevitable.

The Marines and paratroopers, on the other hand, were models of discipline and resolution. No British generation of men has had less to do with the military than mine, and to my surprise the experience of living alongside them for 10 weeks turned to be an enlightening and enjoyable one.

Most of the 15 journalists on *Canberra* began the voyage feeling mild dread at the prospect of the enforced company of so many soldiers. We ended up "troopier groups" of varying degrees of intensity, loyal to our units, and fluent in military slang.

At best, I patronisingly thought, the military would be amiable but bone-headed. Many of them emerged as intelligent and tolerant. Among the Marines and paras there was less of the canyon-like class divide that



MOUNTAIN OF WEAPONS: A British soldier inspects a machine gun from a mountain of weapons surrendered by Argentine forces when the British retook Stanley, the Falklands capital, June 14.

separated Guards officers from their men, and they often spoke with the same accents.

On the whole they behaved well and despite the opportunities there were no orgies of killing, though I heard of one or two disturbing incidents. In one, a gunner told me that artillery fire had been called down on Argentines who had been driven off hilltop near Stanley. A witness later described a

pathetic band of soldiers scrambling over the rocks in the moonlight while artillery observers coolly directed shells on to them.

The soldiers showed each other remarkable loyalty and kindness. The night before Stanley fell, I saw a group of Scots Guards arriving at a first-aid post after they had blundered into a minefield while carrying their wounded away from a firefight.

Britain rebuilding Falklands

By Mark S. Smith

STANLEY, Falkland Islands (AP) — The last of the troops that won back the Falklands from Argentina will be home within a month. But Britain's job here is only beginning.

A garrison force of 2,500 — larger than the population — is to be established. Mines must be cleared, homes rebuilt, the Stanley airfield extended and the islands' economy revived. "After three months of occupation, we've got a lot of rehabilitation and reconstruction to do," said an official.

Of Stanley's 368 houses, 27 were completely destroyed or so badly damaged as to be uninhabitable. Another 167 sustained damage. The town's water and power supplies were knocked out by shell fire, the police station had its roof blown off by a rocket, and Stanley airfield, though operating, is strewn with the remains of Argentine aircraft and equipment.

Abandoned jeeps, tanks and armored vehicles line up Stanley docks. Argentine booby-traps and mines, scattered in the panic of defeat, are still seen throughout the islands' battlefields.

To cope with the challenge, civilian officials and the British military have formed a partnership, one that both sides expect will last for some time.

The military hopes to prevent any repetition of Argentina's April 2 invasion by establishing a garrison large enough to deter initial threats and an airstrip long enough to take airborne reinforcements. Military officials expect the garrison to be housed either at Moddy Brook, 10 miles west of the capital, or at Stanley airfield on a spit of land northeast of the town.

In about three weeks, the airfield will be shut down so Royal Engineers can begin lengthening the 4,000-foot runway to accommodate large transports and high-performance fighter planes.

The 1,800 British-descended islanders have long sought the extension to establish a direct air link to the British Isles. But the British government in 1977 refused to spend the 3 million pounds (\$5.2 million) needed.

Critics say a modest investment then could have saved much in lives and money — 255 British servicemen and three Falklands civilians killed in the Falklands fighting and 1 billion pounds (\$1.73 billion), the figure given by Defense Secretary John Nott for the projected cost of military operations.

Estimates on maintaining the garrison, plus the ships, submarines and warplanes that will patrol the South Atlantic for the foreseeable future, run into the hundreds of millions of pounds a year.

The troops are helping in the civilian reconstruction too. As Royal Engineers clear Argentine minefields, other soldiers are repairing water and power lines. The military is shipping to the Falklands a new water treatment plant, building materials to repair homes and fuel for heating them.

The Argentines used the peat we normally burn to make their barricades," said John Broderick, director of public works. "We can't cut more right now the peat banks are suspected to be of the mine hazard."

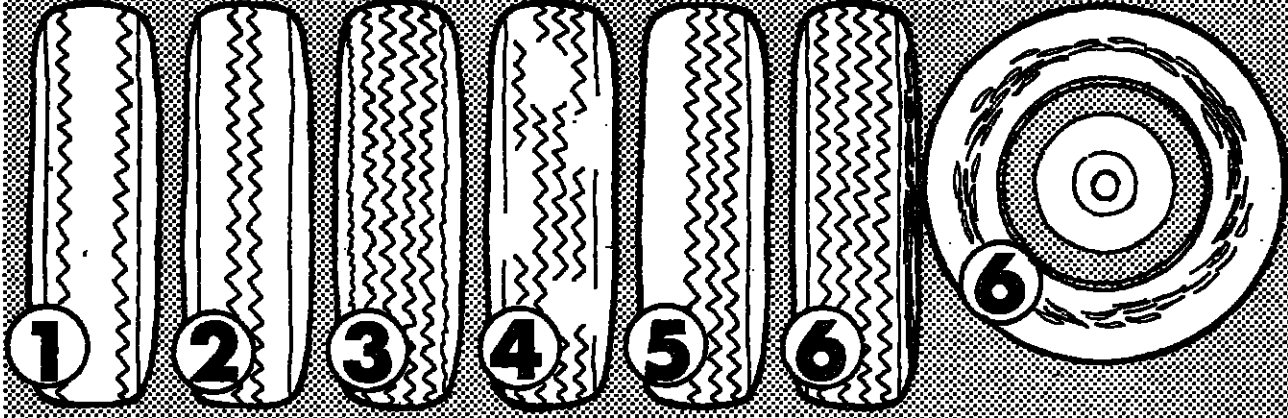
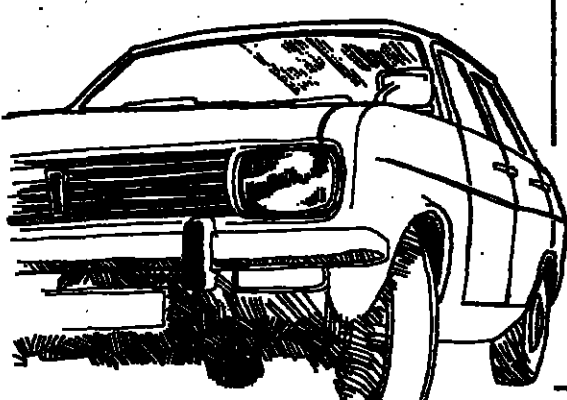
The fighting and the mine hazard have disrupted the islands' principal industry, sheep-rearing. Thousands of the Falklands' 600,000 sheep were slaughtered by the Argentines for food, others were destroyed by mines and many are roaming free after the destruction of fences and pens.

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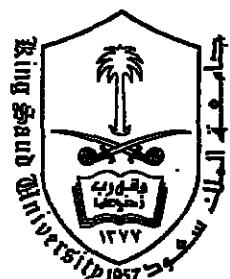
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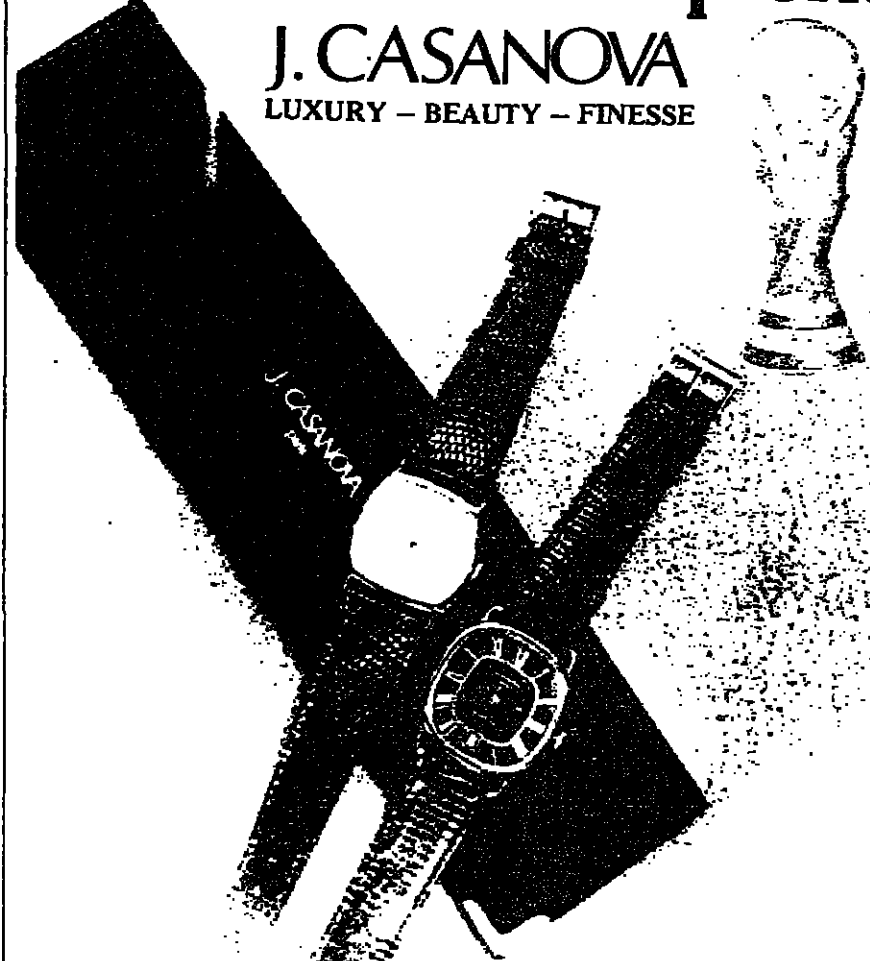
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Moscow worried over change

India shopping for technology in West

By Prakash Chandra

NEW DELHI. (Depthnews) — After more than two decades of dependence on Russian military, scientific and industrial technology, India is looking to the West for help to sustain its technological requirements.

India's shift to the West comes in the face of growing disenchantment with the quality of Soviet technology. Indian officials also complain against the Soviet practice of holding back on spare parts supply "to suit its global military, economic and political interests."

The state-owned Oil and Natural Gas Commission, which used to be totally dependent on Soviet expertise, is now seeking assistance for advanced technology from the United States, France, Canada and Italy.

Likewise, the Bharat Heavy Electricals has signed several transfer-of-technology agreements with West German firms. Also, the Heavy Engineering Corporation will manufacture open-cast coal-mining equipment with American assistance.

A few years back, a deal with an American firm on oil refining would have been unthinkable. Today, however, India is seeking American and Italian technical know-how to help its oil refining expansion program.

Predictably, India's courtship of the West in the technological field has left the Soviets and their allies puzzled and worried. One senior East European envoy had expressed concern that the "West is making deep inroads into Indian private and state enterprises." At the same time, however, he admitted that the Soviets could hardly fill the growing requirements of Indian industry.

Clearly, Moscow is worried over the change in India's attitude. It has organized a strong lobby in the government and the ruling Congress Party (I) in an attempt to head off an overwhelming Western presence in Indian technology that could reduce the Soviet card into an impotent leverage.

To what extent India should loosen its technological ties with the Soviets has been a subject of debate within the Indian government. There are those who argue in favor of a wild swing to the West. Others warn against putting the country's technological eggs in one basket as was the government's policy in the 1960s and 1970s.

Moderates favor a "balanced" relationship that would create no enemies and enable India to enjoy the best of two technological worlds. After all, analysts stress that Russia excels in several technological areas in which the West is considered second best. It won't hurt India if it maintains friendly ties with

both the East and the West, this argument goes.

Soviet technology, some authorities claim, is far more advanced than that of the West in solid state welding. In fact, it has been pointed out that even the Cabot Corporation of the U.S. had obtained a license for Soviet electro-slag remelting technology. This process reduces contamination of sensitive metal alloys used in nuclear reactors and jet engines.

Meanwhile, Indian disenchantment with the West rests mainly with the Western-dominated International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). New Delhi alleges that not only has the agency thwarted nuclear technical assistance to India; it has also imposed severe restrictions on its member nations on the supply of nuclear hardware to New Delhi.

India believes that its nuclear program has no future with the Vienna-based IAEA, and authorities are hoping against hope that the Soviets may yet provide it with the latest technology on fast-breeder reactors. The Soviets have shown interest in the Indian-designed fast-breeder power plant, which was built with French assistance.

Thus far, the Soviets have refused to budge from the superpower agreement against the proliferation of nuclear arms that could

materialize from transfer of technologies, or the supply of materials for making the bomb. Elsewhere in the technological horizon, India is shopping for technology transfers outside of the Eastern bloc. Drug manufacturing technology is a prime example.

The Soviets were heavily involved in a multi-million-dollar enterprise in India called Indian Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Limited. To the embarrassment of both the Indian government and the Soviets, the drug technology introduced by the Russians was found to be inferior to even that of India.

Despite official exhortations that the project was a success, Indian newspapers claimed that it was a failure. According to *The Times of India*, the Russian brand of penicillin was inferior to that produced by the West.

Pharmaceutical experts said that the so-called recovery efficiency of the Russian penicillin was very low compared with West-made penicillin. Because of the controversy, India was forced to buy more modern drug technology from Italian firms.

But even the *Times* was restrained in its criticism of the Indian affair. It said: "It is true that the Soviets did not offer the most modern technology in the 50s simply because they themselves did not have it. The terms were, on the other hand, very attractive."

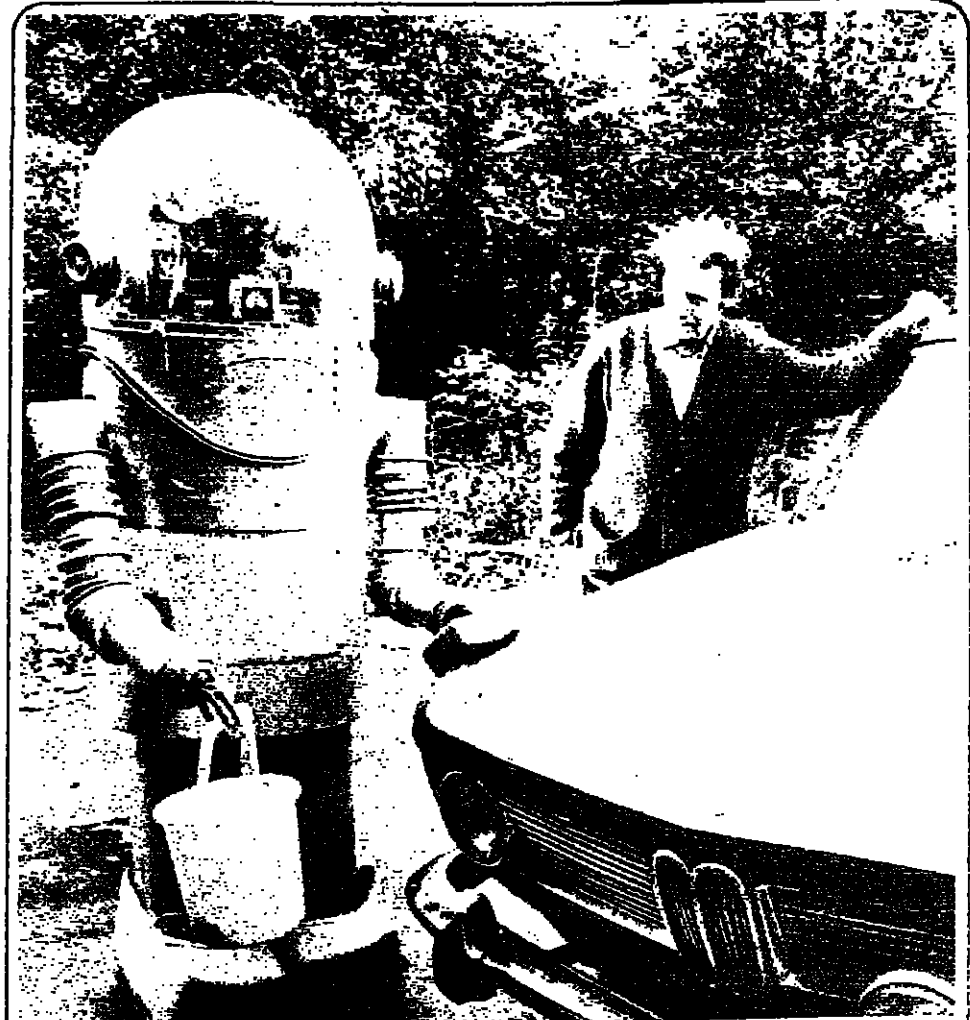
Indeed, they were. The Russians did not charge India anything for the technology it introduced. In contrast, one Western pharmaceutical firm wanted a high royalty on sales from the project and insisted on having the final word on the recruitment of managers and other key personnel.

The Soviets' major contribution to Indian technology involves mainly military hardware. While there are no precise estimates of Soviet aid in this highly sensitive field, Soviet expertise and equipment have helped India build the MIG series of fighter jets and engines. There are talks that the Foxbat, the MIG 27, may be manufactured in India.

Indian military factories are also producing heavy artillery equipment and guns with Soviet assistance. India has invested some \$3 billion in the weapons program.

But even this sensitive field may cease to be dominated by the Russians. New Delhi has already signed an agreement with Britain for the production of Jaguar jet fighters at a cost of over \$2 billion. India will also produce 2,000 Mirage fighter planes under a French license at a cost of more than \$2 billion.

However, the government realize that it cannot rely on foreign technology forever. It has embarked on a major program of getting its scientists living abroad back home. As a New Delhi official said: "Our salvation from foreign technology will come not from other lands, but from within our people. We cannot depend on others forever."



KUBOT CLEANER: One of the most interesting car washing ideas of the decade has been the development of a robot programmed to clean cars. British inventor Denis Weston says the robot has generated more interest than any other of his ideas. The robot is seen here with a sponge in hand.

Computer system processes medical tissue specimens

By a Science Correspondent

LONDON — A computerized system for processing medical tissue specimens at the touch of a button has been introduced by a British company. Safe and easy to use, it can handle a total of 45 different programs.

The hypercenter system is made up of three units: a command module with a standard typewriter keyboard and visual display unit (VDU), a reaction module in which the actual processing takes place and a storage unit which transfers reagents to and from the reaction chamber. Totally enclosed in both storage and processing stages, it eliminates the risk of fire or seepage of potentially hazardous fumes into the laboratory.

The command module, which constantly monitors and displays each processing step, can control up to five reaction modules simultaneously and independently. Each reaction unit has a nine-program capacity.

Processing requirements are simply keyed

into the control unit from a list of standard headings and touch button controls program the reaction and storage modules.

The reaction module, comprising two independently heated wax baths and a stainless steel reaction chamber, has a capacity of 2.4 liters and holds up to 200 standard plastic processing cassettes. A toughened glass lid seals the chamber and allows for constant monitoring.

Designed for safe storage of flammable or hazardous liquids, the storage module is resistant to all commonly used reagents. Its pneumatically operated multiposition valve selects and controls the flow of reagents according to pre-determined programming.

Reagents required for processing are held in translucent plastic containers each with a capacity of 2.5 liters. Up to 12 can be stored on the metal shelves of the cabinet. Any spillages during loading or removing of containers are caught in a large, removable stainless steel drip tray.

BOY OR GIRL?



STOP KILLING YOURSELF

By Peter J

Steincrohn

M.D., F.A.C.P.

Dear Dr. Steincrohn: My wife has a fixation on having a baby girl. We have three boys whom she loves. However, she feels life would not be complete unless we also had at least one girl in the family. When I say fixation, I mean that she has become too emotionally involved in wondering how this pregnancy will turn out. Will it be boy or girl? She can't wait to know.

She is trying to influence her obstetrician to withdraw some of the amniotic fluid surrounding the baby to determine the sex of the infant. He refuses to do so. Although he believes in the process for studying possible hereditary weaknesses, he says, "Why make an examination that isn't totally free from possible harm? All you have is about four months left of your pregnancy. You'll know soon enough." But that hasn't satisfied her. As I said, it's difficult to reason with her in her present state of mind. She reads your column every day, Dr. Steincrohn. I hope you can influence her to wait a little longer — Mr. G.

Dear Mr. G.: As you say, it's difficult to change emotional direction by the use of reason. But I'll do my best.

The process you speak of is called amniocentesis, in which amniotic fluid surrounding the fetus is withdrawn for examination in the laboratory. It's true that this will reveal the gender of the fetus. But most doctors advise against it to satisfy this curiosity; use it for determining if there is any genetic threat to the unborn child. However, if your wife still insists on knowing NOW, ask her doctor to consider use of ultrasound. According to Dr. Teresa A. Scholly and colleagues at Lawrence and Memorial Hospitals, New London, Connecticut (as reported in *American Journal of Roentgenology*) they

were 100 percent correct in the diagnosis if they were able to "see" the genitalia of the fetuses on the sonogram. They identified 42 males and 30 females. But, they conclude with this warning, "It should be emphasized that prediction of fetal sex in utero has very limited, if any, clinical value and yet poses potential dangers and risks. The risks lie primarily in the realm of psychological and/or economic factors in the overexpectant and disappointed parents."

MEDICALETTERS

(Replies to and from readers):

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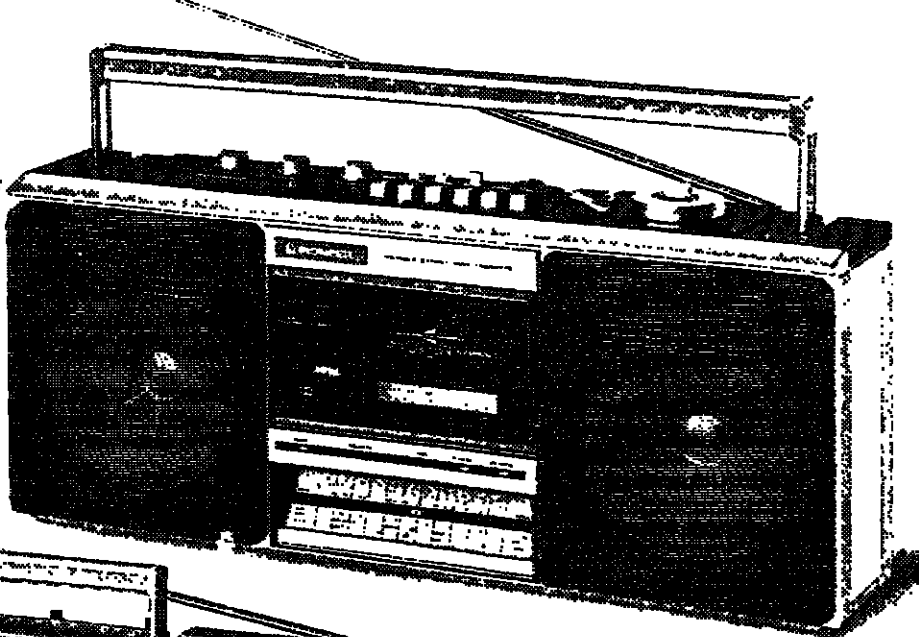
For Mrs. L.: Although it seems to be true that aspirin doesn't reverse the changes in cataracts which have already formed, it may slow the progression of senile cataracts. Aspirin users show a lower rate of cataract formation. Edward Cotlier, MD, Professor of Ophthalmology at Yale University School of Medicine and colleagues are continuing studies of the effect of aspirin on cataract formation.

(Tomorrow: Reiter's syndrome)

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Foreign minister leaves on tour

Viets begin Cambodia pullout

HANOI, July 16 (AFP) — Vietnam began a partial pullout of its estimated 150,000 to 180,000 troops from Cambodia, Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach said Friday as he left on a four-nation tour of Southeast Asia.

But Thach gave no details of how many troops were involved in the withdrawal, which had been announced as "a good will gesture" on July 7 after a two-day conference of Indochinese foreign ministers in Ho Chi Minh City.

He had said then that the number of troops to be pulled out would be "significant," and reliable sources here said the move would involve slightly more than the 20,000 to 30,000, who were reportedly withdrawn unannounced from Cambodia last year.

Thach made his announcement as he left for Bangkok on the first leg of a swing aimed at persuading a dubious Southeast Asia of Hanoi's sincere desire to ease tensions sparked by its military move in Cambodia in December, 1978.

He was to spend two days on a private visit to Bangkok before going on to Singapore, another member of the non-Communist

Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), where he will stay from Sunday to Tuesday, semi-official sources said.

Thach will then go to Burma and a third ASEAN member, Malaysia, before returning to Bangkok July 27 and 28 for talks with Thai Foreign Minister Sithi Sawatsila, they said. The Vietnamese minister is to visit the other two ASEAN partners, Indonesia and the Philippines, in October.

The current trip will give Thach a chance to get first-hand reactions to the troops withdrawal as well as to Indochinese proposals for a "security zone" on the Thai-Cambodian border and an international conference on Southeast Asia.

He said before leaving that he was undertaking the trip with a sense of "realism and modesty, but also with hope" for progress in resolving differences with the ASEAN countries.

The Indochinese proposals which received a cool response from Thailand and other countries got a boost here Friday from visiting Austrian Foreign Minister Willibald Pahr.

who said they could be a "basis for negotiations" in the Cambodian conflict.

Pahr, who also chaired last year's international conference on Cambodia which was boycotted by Vietnam, flew to Bangkok Friday after a two-day official visit here. The trip included talks with Thach and Premier Pham Van Dong.

The Austrian said that while the proposals by Vietnam, Laos and the Hanoi-backed Phnom Penh government were far from the New York conference's call for a total Vietnamese withdrawal and fresh elections in Cambodia, they had "a very positive aspect."

"They can be the basis for negotiations," Pahr said before leaving for talks with top officials in Bangkok. "The important thing is that negotiations begin among all the parties concerned."

Thach's tour also comes three weeks after the creation of a coalition resistance government linking the Communist Khmer Rouge — ousted by Hanoi's forces in January 1979 — with two non-Communist movements.

Meanwhile, the Communist Party newspaper *Nhan Dan* said the American Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and Peking plotted to conquer South Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia within five years.

In an article Wednesday on a reported conversation with the leaders of "the Overseas Vietnamese Army for the Re-establishment of Vietnam" former South Vietnamese Lt. Col. Vo Dai Ton, the newspaper said the plan also had the active support of Thailand.

Ton told the press here Tuesday that he was the overseas army's leader, and that he had tried, alone, to infiltrate Vietnam. He said he had been well-treated and appeared healthy.

According to the *Nhan Dan* report, the plot consisted of three stages from 1981 to 1985.

The first plan was the creation of a unified anti-Communist front among foreign opponents of the Indochinese regimes. Agents were then to contact the internal opposition in each country, create secret bases, organize riots and sabotage. Recruits were to be sent to China for guerrilla training.

Sophia 'recovers' smile

ROME, July 16 (AP) — Miss Sophia Loren said she had recovered her smile in Italy despite serving 17 days in prison for tax evasion. Nevertheless she said she will leave her homeland because plans for a new film fell through.

Miss Loren, Italian director Lina Wertmuller's choice for the leading role of *Tieta do Agreste* (Tieta from the countryside), said Thursday she felt sad about dropping the project. She said the film was a major factor in her decision to return to Italy after a two-year absence and serve the jail term.

"Me, repenting about my return to Italy? No, I have found my smile again," the 47-year-old actress told a packed news conference at her lawyer's office.

Her lawyer, Giovanni Cau, said the producing firms — Italian Alex Cinematografica and French Gaumont S.A. — delayed the shooting date several times. She said they apparently had been affected by the financial troubles of Banco Ambrosiano, the Italian bank at the center of a major financial scandal.

Miss Loren dismissed Alex Cinematografica's allegations that she broke the contract by refusing to show up at the sets of

Rome's Hollywood on the Tiber. Cinecittà. "They kept changing dates," the Academy Award winner said.

Asked whether she felt her return to Italy and her imprisonment were in vain, she responded: "My jail sentence was not in vain. Its something I will never forget."

"If I had to go through it again, I would probably become a fugitive," she joked. Miss Loren was arrested in Rome on May 19 as soon as she stepped off a plane from Geneva, Switzerland, and was taken to the women's prison at Caserta, 33 kilometers north of Naples. She was sentenced to 30 days in jail for failing to report \$180,000 on her 1963 income tax returns. A Naples court granted her a leave after serving only 17 days, in effect a permanent parole.

Miss Loren and her producer-husband Carlo Ponti gave up their Italian citizenship. They both are now French citizens with homes in Paris and Geneva.

"I felt very much protected by the large amount of fan mail received in prison from all over the world. Not only friends, but many actors sent me telegrams and letters. I didn't feel lonely. Everybody showed me love," she said.

Man charged with spying in Britain

HEREFORD, England, July 16 (AP) — Geoffrey Arthur Prime, 44 and unemployed, was arraigned in Hereford magistrates' court on a spying charge "of the gravest possible nature," in the words of the prosecutor.

Details of the alleged offense under section one of the Official Secrets Act were not disclosed. Prime was ordered held in custody and his case continued to Nov. 26.

The suspect's address was given as Laburnum Cottage, Cheltenham, the western England town where the British government general communication headquarters, a computerized code and cypher center, is reputedly located. Its existence is not officially disclosed since that would violate the stringent Official Secrets Act.

The charge Thursday under the 1911 act was that Prime, "between Jan. 1, 1968 and Dec. 31, 1981 in England for purposes prejudicial to the safety and interest of the state, communicated to other persons information which was calculated to be or might be, or was intended to be, directly or indirectly useful to an enemy."

Last month, the same court committed Prime for trial on three charges of indecent assault on girls aged 13 to 16 on dates between April 1980 and April 1982.

37 Nepalis killed

KATMANDU, Nepal July 16 (AP) — Thirty-seven persons were killed in two landslides caused by torrential rains, the minister of local development and health, Nav Raj Subedi, told the National Assembly Thursday.

He said 19 persons were buried alive at Mahot Danda Hill of Semjong village, about 80 kilometers southwest of Katmandu, on Monday night. A rescue party was able to recover only 18 of the victims' bodies. Subedi said. Another 18 persons were killed in a separate landslide at Lapilang village, about 100 kilometers east of Katmandu, last Friday, he said.

Thailand expels journalist

BANGKOK, July 16 (AFP) — Authorities here have ordered a senior Bangkok-based journalist to leave Thailand because of his exposure on conditions in a Vietnamese refugee camp on the Thai border. The journalist, Barry Wain, 37, is the diplomatic correspondent of *The Asian Wall Street Journal* and has covered events in Thailand for the influential Hong Kong-based newspaper for more than two years.

Wain, an Australian, is also the author of a widely acclaimed recent book on the terrifying saga of the refugees' flight to freedom, *The Refugee*.

French rescue 370 'boat people'

PARIS, July 16 (AFP) — Cooperation between a French humanitarian organization and the French Navy saved nearly 370 Vietnamese "boat people" in the Gulf of Siam during a two-week operation that ended July 1, it was announced here Thursday.

Involved in the rescue were the cargo ship *Le Goelo* chartered by the Paris-based "Medecins Du Monde" (doctors of the world), and the French navy Corvette *Balay*. Despite storms and rain, *Le Goelo* picked up 212 Vietnamese and the *Balay* 150. The refugees were mostly from Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) and Long Ku Yen. It was the second operation of this kind. In the earlier operation, carried out between May 16 and June 7, a total of 181 Vietnamese were rescued. For the first time in France, Dr. Alain Delove of "Medecins Du Monde" told reporters. "The government is backing a humanitarian action."

Dr. Delove said that the operation could be even more efficient if three or four ships were involved. "It is a very limited area," he said. "We know where the pirates are and where they try to intercept Vietnamese trying to leave the country, mainly to the east of Poole-Condor Island and on the Hong Kong-Singapore trail."

Chartering a cargo ship and her crew cost a lot of money, Dr. Delove said, and "it is vital

foreign Ministry officials confirmed Friday that Wain's story on the Vietnamese camp known as NW 82, which appeared on the front page of his newspaper on July 8, was the reason for his expulsion, and warned of a "tougher" policy toward foreign journalists working in Thailand.

Wain quoted Western officials who described conditions in the camp as "increasingly grim and precarious." Journalists have been refused permission to visit the camp by Thai authorities, and not even the Red Cross is allowed a permanent presence in NW82.

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NEW DELHI, (AFP) — Enriched uranium sections of the nuclear fuel complex at Hyderabad in southern India, could close without further U.S. supply of enriched uranium, Prime Minister Indira Gandhi told parliament Thursday. The enriched uranium supplied by the United States under contract for the American-built Tarapur atomic power plant, near Bombay, is processed before use at the Hyderabad fuel complex. Mrs. Gandhi said that there had been no deliveries of enriched uranium since 1975 and alleged that the U.S. administration had indicated it was not able to supply any further fuel.

SEOUL, (AFP) — South Korean Red Cross President Kim Young-Shik Friday asked North Korea to return a South Korean fishing boat with 35 men aboard, captured Tuesday in the Sea of Japan. His message, addressed to North Korean Red Cross President Sohn Sung-Pil, was broadcast over Seoul radio as North Korea has refused a direct phone link for the last five years after breaking off bilateral Red Cross talks.

VIENNA, (R) — The trial of Karel Bartosek, a Czechoslovak historian and member of the country's Charter 77 human rights movement, did not take place Thursday as scheduled, emigre sources in Vienna said. Bartosek, 52, who is charged with incitement because he criticized martial law in Poland, was told a few days ago by the authorities the trial would not be held Thursday, the sources said. Bartosek, a former member of the Czechoslovak Academy of Science, recently applied for permission to emigrate to France. He has a French wife and two daughters.

BASTIA, Corsica (AFP) — Four bombs exploded on this French Mediterranean island during the night, arousing speculation these could be part of an autonomist campaign against tourism. No one immediately claimed responsibility for the explosions. In recent years the pro-independence Corsican National Liberation Front has been responsible for several bombings.

LA PAZ, Bolivia (AP) — Junta President Celso Torrello said Thursday general elections will be held April 24 and that he will surrender power to the winner on Aug. 6, 1983, ending more than two years of military rule. The brief announcement from the government palace came amid persistent rumors that yet another coup may be afoot in Bolivia, where governments last an average of 10 months.

LISBON, (AFP) — Foreign ministers from five Portuguese-speaking African countries will initiate a form of "permanent" support for Mauber people in the former Portuguese colony of East Timor, which was incorporated into Indonesia in 1976, an independentist leader from the territory said here Friday. The ministers of Angola, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique and Sao Tome and Principe — will meet Sunday.

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Over credit issue

Paris denies secret pact with Moscow

PARIS, July 16 (R) — A spokesman for the French external relations ministry categorically denied Friday that France had signed a secret agreement with the Soviet Union over the construction of a natural gas pipeline.

On Thursday a senior Pentagon official said a secret protocol signed two years ago between France and the Soviet Union had helped scuttle U.S. plans to limit Soviet credits for construction of a natural gas pipeline to Western Europe.

The French spokesman said: "We deny categorically that a secret accord has been concluded with the Soviet Union."

He said an agreement on the pipeline was signed with the Soviet Union in 1980, but its contents were communicated to the Paris-based Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) and then to the United States.

The Pentagon official said: "The French informed us that they had a secret protocol with the Soviet Union according to which they would be unable to implement any of the

credit restraints that had been under discussion. They pulled the rug out from under the negotiations that Under-Secretary James Buckley was conducting."

The Defense Department official noted that for the United States, it is vital to force Moscow to pay for its purchases from the West in strong currencies in order to reduce the foreign-exchange assets used for strengthening its military power.

He added that after seeing that the Europeans did not intend to institute significant limitations in their credits to the Soviet Union, the United States decided to extend its restrictions on supplying equipment for the planned natural gas pipeline from Siberia to Western Europe.

The extension has caused a row between Washington and Western Europe. On Thursday night, the Common Market representative in Washington, Roluid de Ker-golay, handed a protest about the move to U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs Richard Burt, asking the U.S. government to go back on its decision.

Strike shuts car units in S. Africa

PORT ELIZABETH, South Africa July 16 (AP) — About 15,000 black and mixed-race workers went on strike at the Ford, General Motors and Volkswagen automobile assembly plants Thursday in a wage dispute, union officials said.

It was the first time strikes simultaneously closed the three plants, said Leslie Kettle-das, regional secretary for the National Automobile and Allied Workers Union. He said Ford and Volkswagen had decided to close their plants in Ovis until Monday.

However, the South African Press Association quoted a Volkswagen spokesman as saying some workers had returned to the job during the day and that some operations were continuing.

Ford spokesman David Fowldes told the Associated Press that management was meeting on the issue late Thursday. He said all production had stopped on Ford Corinas, Escorts, one-ton pickups and heavy trucks and that the only facility still operating was an engine plant.

The Port Elizabeth auto industry is considered one of the best in South Africa in pay and working conditions. The unions are among the best organized in the country.

Volkswagen and Ford both were hit by strikes in 1979 and 1980 as black unions grew in strength. Blacks were given the right to unionize in 1979, but some larger firms bargained unofficially with black unions before then.

Mexico takes over Aeromexico

MEXICO CITY, July 16 (R) — The Mexican government has taken over the economically-troubled Compania Mexicana de Aviacion, Latin America's biggest carrier, the airline has said.

A brief statement said the Mexican Transport Ministry would have overall control of the company, one of the world's top 20 carriers, having bought 54 percent of the shares.

No financial details of the deal were given and it was not immediately clear if all the airline's 11,500 employees and aircraft would be incorporated into the state airline, Aeromexico.

Last month, the airline's director, Manuel de la Vega, told employees that this year was the worst in the company's 60-year history.

He said February and March losses alone totaled \$8 million, caused mainly by a 40 percent peso devaluation which raised the airline's dollar-pegged interest repayments and forced wages up.

Airline officials had said they hoped an increase in foreign tourist traffic and more domestic travel because of the devaluation could pull it through the crisis.

Blanco plea to U.S. on sugar

WASHINGTON, July 16 (AP) — President-elect Jorge Blanco of the Dominican Republic tried to win U.S. President Ronald Reagan's support for increasing U.S. imports of Dominican sugar in the wake of the Caribbean nation's most serious economic problems in 50 years.

According to the U.S. Agriculture Department, the Dominican Republic, which exports more sugar to the United States than any other nation, and used up its quarterly quota by July 9, nine days into the quarter.

Blanco, talking to reporters after a brief meeting with Reagan, said that the recently imposed quotas, intended to protect U.S. domestic sugar, were "tragic for the Dominican Republic."

Sugar is the Dominican Republic's main export item. Blanco said that one out of 10 citizens depend on it for their livelihood and provides 35 percent of the nation's export earnings.

The Dominican Republic is allowed under U.S. regulations to sell 270,000 metric tons of sugar to the United States in the current level which runs from July 1 through Sept. 30. Overall, the Caribbean nations would be permitted to ship 780,000 metric tons of sugar to the United States duty free if the president's Caribbean plan of providing aid to the Caribbean and Central America is approved by Congress.

Blanco said that sugar is being exported at a price less than half its production cost. He pointed out that Cuba can export its crop to

the Soviet Union at relatively high prices and Jamaica, Barbados, and Guyana are given preferential prices by the Common Market nations of Europe.

"The Dominican Republic is the only exporter of the area which does not have access to a preferential market," he said.

Blanco, who was elected to a four-year term in May and takes office next month, called attention to the difficulty his nation faces as a result of the increased cost of imported oil and the falling price of sugar on the world market.

He said that in 1974 1,000 pounds of sugar could pay for 12 barrels of oil, while the same amount of sugar pays for 3.6 barrels today.

A senior Reagan administration official acknowledged that the Dominican Republic faced "serious economic difficulties," and said that 25 percent to 30 percent of total workforce was unemployed.

In addition, said the official, who asked that he not be identified by name, the Caribbean nation has been "very hard hit by the high price of petroleum." He said that Blanco "spoke in some detail" to the president about sugar quotas and about the Dominican hope that the administration would "increase the Dominican Republic's sugar quota."

Blanco made the trip to Washington to seek support for the Caribbean basic initiative, a program that would provide \$350 million in assistance to the Caribbean nations and to Central America. The program includes trade preferences, investment incentives and economic aid.

10 years after inception

Cuban farm cooperatives bearing fruit

HAVANA, July 16 (R) — Production cooperatives have in less than a decade become a major force in Cuban agriculture, and a farmers' association president says the change was achieved by persuasion and example, not force.

Their importance was recognized by the passage of a law on July 1 laying down guidelines for their organization and thus legitimizing them within the country's Socialist system, a senior Cuban government official said.

Since 1975, when the Communist Party called on farmers to organize "higher forms of production," the number of cooperatives has risen to over 1,000 from 43.

They occupy 35 percent of non-state farmland, making a key contribution to the vital Cuban sugar and tobacco also growing coffee, vegetables and fruit.

Jose Ramirez president of the Cuban National Association of Small Farmers (ANAF) told a press conference on the new law that the government has adhered

scrupulously to a promise Prime Minister Fidel Castro gave in 1959 that farmers' land would never be taken from them by force.

Ramirez said: "Every farmer who joins a cooperative does so of his own free will." There are still 90,000 individual family farms in Cuba, but Ramirez said many individual farmers had been induced to give up their land to cooperatives partly by persuasion and partly by the example set by existing cooperatives. These have raised their members' living standards and brought them benefits such as running water, electricity, clinics, schools, transport and cultural activities, he said.

He added that each cooperative is managed by an elected council with members voting on all important issues such as how to distribute income, how much of each crop to plant or whether to buy a tractor.

His only criticism was that the new law did not include a clause he proposed for a 'union of cooperatives,' under which the work of all cooperatives in a municipal dis-

trict would be coordinated by a centralized 'cooperative enterprise.'

Under Ramirez' plan, the ministry of agriculture would sell to the 'cooperative enterprises' trucks, implements and other resources that individual cooperatives could not afford. He said many of the smaller cooperatives have to hire workers for specific tasks. With "cooperative enterprises," cooperative members could be moved about to farms where labor was urgently needed, saving the cost of contract labor, he argued.

Dr. Castro and others successfully opposed the "union of cooperatives," saying it would be premature to incorporate the idea into law. However, they said other clauses in the new law allowed implicitly for the establishment of "unions of cooperatives." When Dr. Castro first took power he promulgated a law giving smallholdings to the landless peasants who formed the backbone of his victorious commando army.

Japan's oil firms incur \$1.9b loss

TOKYO, July 16 (AFP) — Japanese oil companies suffered a record loss of 338,800 yen (\$1.9 billion) in fiscal 1981 due to slow business and the depreciation of the Japanese yen, the Japan Petroleum Association has said.

It added that the 34 Japanese firms also posted a record after-tax loss of 18,000 million yen (\$717 million), in the year (April 1981 — March 1982) while their combined foreign exchange loss amounted to \$1.5 billion.

The sales of oil products declined 5.9 percent from the preceding year to 406.4 million kilometers (about 2,552 million barrels), the association also indicated.

In the preceding fiscal year, some firms posted an ordinary profit of 494,400 million yen (\$31 million) and an after-tax profit of 204,900 million yen (\$800 million), while enjoying a combined exchange surplus of \$2.2 billion.

Malaysia to cut rubber output

KUALA LUMPUR, July 16 (AFP) — Malaysia, the world's leading rubber exporter, is to reduce its annual production in the face of a depressed world market of the commodity, Prime Minister Dr. Mahathir Muhammad has said.

"As the demand for natural rubber has not been very good lately, we just cannot sit back, we have to do something ourselves," he said in a special interview with Bernama news agency on the occasion of his first anniversary in office.

U.S. economy outlook dims

WASHINGTON, July 16 (R) — U.S. industrial output fell sharply last month, official figures have showed, adding to fears that the recession may not yet have run its course.

The news that industrial production fell in June, which followed a number of other disappointing economic reports in recent weeks, cast new doubt on the belief of many economists that the economy was about to revive.

The Federal Reserve Board also reported that production had fallen more sharply than previously believed in April and May.

The central bank now says output declined 0.6 percent in May and 1.1 percent in April, compared with its earlier estimate of only a 0.2 percent fall in May and 0.8 percent in April.

Industrial output has now fallen in 10 of the last 11 months and has dropped 10.1 percent since the economic slide began last July. All this tends to support suggestions by many private economists that the Reagan administration's economic growth targets for the rest of this year are far too optimistic.

The administration says that a tax cut that took effect on July 1 will encourage American consumers to spend more freely and produce economic growth of four to five percent at an annual rate during the last six months of this year. But figures released on Tuesday showed consumers spent 1.5 percent less last month, and U.S. car makers said Wednesday that sales in the first 10 days of July were down more than 16 percent from the comparable period of 1981.

"I don't see how we can have a recovery until early next year," economist Michael Evans told Reuters. Evans, who heads his own economic consulting firm, said he expected no growth at all in the second half of

this year because high interest rates and renewed inflation would offset the beneficial effects of the tax cut.

Privately, one administration economist conceded in an interview with Reuters that the official forecast was too rosy and that a more reasonable projection for economic growth is about three percent.

Robert Ortner, the Commerce Department's chief economist, said that "the report is very disappointing, a rude awakening."

But he said he still expects recovery from the recession to begin in the current July-September quarter, adding that "we'll just have to take a deep breath, tighten our belts for one more month and hope July will show a little more light."

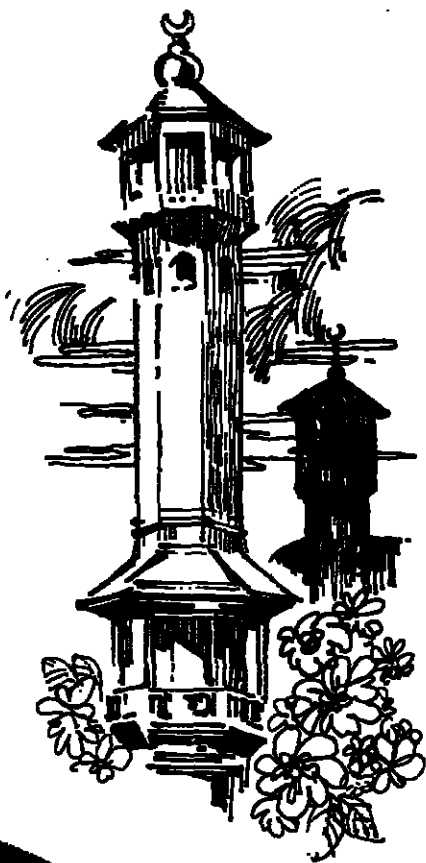
Iran, Japan to view resuming project

TOKYO, July 16 (AP) — An Iranian delegation arrived here Friday for a week of talks with Japanese investors on resuming the troubled \$3.2 billion joint petrochemical project at Bandar Khomeini.

The seven-member technical team led by head of Iran's National Petrochemical Co. will discuss technical problems on the joint petrochemical project, the largest ever undertaken by the Japanese abroad.

The project which started in 1973 has been halted following the Iranian Revolution in Iran in late 1978, then suspended when all 750 Japanese technicians were evacuated after the outbreak of the Iran-Iraq war in 1979. Eighty percent of the project had been completed when the Japanese pulled out.

The Japanese side has stated it will not sink any more money into the project.



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U.S. inflation jumps in June

WASHINGTON, July 16 (AP) — Wholesale prices in the United States, propelled by sharply higher energy costs, took off in June, rising at an annual rate of 13.3 percent, the government said Friday. It was the sharpest rise since March 1981.

Even with June's surge, however, inflation for the first half of the year was a small 2.5 percent, calculated annually, well under the 7 percent for all of last year and the 11.8 percent of 1980.

Much of the credit for inflation's small gain so far this year has gone to the stinging recession and to lingering, large oil stockpiles.

But those stocks are dwindling, a development reflected in the 4.1 percent gain posted last month by energy prices.

Overall, the Labor Department's producer price index for finished goods rose a seasonally adjusted 1 percent in June, the department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said Friday.

The index was unchanged in May. It rose a tiny 0.1 percent in April, fell 0.3 percent in March and 0.2 percent in February. Those two falls were the first back-to-back declines since January and February 1976.

The figure for March was revised to 0.3 percent Friday from the 0.1 percent reported

earlier. February's figure was revised from 0.3 to 0.2 percent.

If prices rose for 12 straight months at June's rate, the yearly gain would amount to 13.3 percent after seasonal adjustment. The reported annual rate is based on a more precise calculation of monthly price changes

U.K.'s touches 42-month low

LONDON, July 16 (AP) — Britain's annual inflation rate fell to a three and a half year low of 9.2 percent in June, down from 9.5 percent in May, the government said Friday.

The retail price index was at its lowest since December 1978, the Department of Employment announced.

The retail price index (basis 1974) rose 0.3 percent in June, to 322.9, after a 0.7 percent rise to 322.0 in May. In June last year, the index stood at 295.8.

Lowest forecasts by Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's government indicate the inflation rate may fall to 7.5 percent by the end of the year.

than what is made public.

The report said that over the last year, from June 1981 through June 1982, prices at the wholesale level rose 3.5 percent. Economists are predicting that, for all of this year, wholesale inflation will be 5 percent to 6 percent.

The department provided these details on wholesale price changes last month: Energy prices, up the most since March 1981, were largely propelled by higher gasoline and home heating oil costs, which rose sharply after several months of substantial declines.

Gasoline prices were up 4.1 percent in June after falling 5.9 percent the month before.

For the first six months of the year, energy prices overall were down 17.1 percent, calculated annually.

Food prices rose a modest 0.5 percent in June. So far this year, food prices have risen at an annual rate of 0.8 percent.

Passenger car prices jumped 1.9 percent after rising 0.7 percent in May, a result, the department said, of automakers' ending their rebate programs. Livestock prices also rose, up 3 percent in June, down from May's 4 percent gain.

EEC pulls U.S. to GATT

GENEVA, July 16 (AFP) — The European Economic Community (EEC) took its complaints against United States' penalty duties on subsidized EEC steel imports to the GATT committee on subsidy codes here.

EEC spokesman Friedrich Beseler told the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) committee that the U.S. taxes were arbitrary and based on calculations that violated former GATT rulings.

After the hearing, a satisfied Beseler said that committee members, notably Canada, India, the Scandinavian countries and Spain, were worried about the unilateral new U.S. interpretation of GATT articles.

He said that the U.S. duties were three or

four times as much as was justified by European subsidies, and that they penalized regional steel firms in difficulty.

Washington applied the so-called compensatory rights on EEC steel imports because U.S. steelmen claimed that the subsidies enabled European countries to undercut domestic U.S. steel prices.

U.S. GATT representative Michael Smith said the decision on the duties taken by the U.S. Department of Commerce June were merely preliminary and would be followed by a final ruling before August 24.

Smith added that GATT's new subsidy code, adopted during the Tokyo round of talks that ended in 1979, was not clear on how to work out subsidies and compensatory rights. An international working group has been trying for a year to clear up the muddle.

Meanwhile, GATT Director Arthur Dunkel told the National Press Club in Washington pleaded for GATT accords to be respected by member countries. Dunkel warned against current trade wars and growing protectionist tendencies.

If GATT accords were not respected, he said, international trade would soon be ruled by "political power" to the detriment of everyone. But Dunkel hoped that the forthcoming GATT ministerial meeting next autumn would show that nations were fully able to work together to solve thorny problems and build for the future.

Dacca strikes gas

DACCA, (AP) — A new gas deposit has been found at Kamta about 30 kilometers (48 miles) from Dacca, deputy chief martial law administrator Air Vice Marshal Sultan Mahmud has said. He said the deposit was found some 11,000 feet (3,333 meters) below the earth's surface, and initial field pressure suggested the presence of economically exploitable gas quantities. Bangladesh has a proven gas reserves of nearly seven trillion cubic feet in about a dozen gas fields. Drilling in Kamta was carried out exclusively by Bangladesh exports.

'Poorly paid' Israel envoys on war path

TEL AVIV, July 16 (AP) — Israeli diplomats are threatening to roll up their carpets if their pay demands are ignored.

The foreign ministry works committee said that its members earn roughly 30 percent less than employees of some other ministries.

Committee chairman Ze'ev Sufot said the workers, including diplomats abroad, protocol chiefs and official hosts felt "humiliated and overlooked" by their paymasters.

An average staffer earns 8,000-10,000 shekels (\$320-400) a month and sees his neighbor, who is three grades lower on the civil service scale, taking home 16,000 shekels (\$640). Sufot told the Associated Press.

He gave the example of the clothing allowance granted to the ministry officials but not to foreign ministry staff, who spend much more on suits and ties.

Sufot said no action would be launched until the Lebanon crisis passes, but among measures being threatened are a rulebook slowdown whereby diplomat would refuse to work overtime or organize airport arrival ceremonies for official visits, and would boycott embassy parties.

Urgent cables coming overnight would have to wait until morning to be decoded, she said. Diplomats abroad would be asked although not ordered — to participate. He noted that the staff at Israel's Paris Embassy recently closed their offices and paraded outside the building protesting their salary conditions.

Speculation led to Penn's failure

WASHINGTON, July 16 (R) — Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. chief William Isaac said the problems of Oklahoma city's Penn Square Bank were the result of "shoddy, speculative banking practices" and not due to the recession or to declines in energy prices.

"The problems of this institution were unique and the bank's collapse is an aberration," Isaac told the House Banking Committee.

Isaac said that other financial institutions who may suffer losses as a result of dealing with Penn Square were attracted by the opportunity to obtain high yields on their investments and failed to take into account the degree of risk involved.

Penn Square was declared insolvent by the U.S. comptroller of the currency July five.

The FDIC will pay out an estimated \$240 million to insured depositors, but about \$190 million of the bank's deposits were uninsured and owners of these deposits could face losses of at least 20 cents on the dollar, regulators have said.

To replace striking drivers

BR may train new personnel

LONDON, July 16 (AP) — Britain's state railway system was reported Friday to have "last resort" plans to train up to 20,000 train conductors and unemployed workers to take the place of striking train drivers.

The *Daily Telegraph* said British Rail believed that conductors who already know train routes and regulations could be driving trains within three months and that trainees recruited from the unemployed could be driving on a restricted scale within six months.

The respected British newspaper said the scheme "would be a last resort, but it is being considered seriously."

British Rail refused direct confirmation of the report but a senior official, who declined to be named, said the organization was prepared to go to the "market place" if the strike was not resolved.

Senior leaders of the Trade Union Congress, meanwhile, were to hold an emergency meeting later Friday on the strike. Concern is growing among some labor unions about the effects of a long-drawn real shutdown as major companies cancel rail contracts and shift to road transport.

Coalmines, steelworkers and other unions backed the ASLEF strike. But Terry Duffy, president of the Alangamated Union of Engineering Workers with 1.1 million members, reported growing demands from other unions for train drivers to call off the strike.

He said the matter would come to a head at Friday's meeting.

Sir Peter Parker, chairman of British Rail, said Wednesday that his board will close the entire 11,000-mile (17,600 km) state-run network from midnight next Tuesday and dismiss some 20,000 striking train drivers unless large number return to work before the deadline.

He indicated that the chances of this happening were slim and that he expected the shut-down will go ahead. The engineers have been on strike since July 4 in a bid to stop the introduction of flexible work shifts. Financially strapped British Rail says it needs the new work schedules, which vary from 7 to 9 hours to save money and increase productivity.

The Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, which called the strike, says the new schedules will mean layoffs. ASLEF men have worked daily 8-hour shifts since 1919.

British Rail has told the strikers that they will be re-employed immediately if they sign an agreement to work the flexible shifts.

Meanwhile Premier Margaret Thatcher Thursday ruled out any government intervention in the British Rail strike.

Mrs. Thatcher told parliament "The only way to end the strike is for ASLEF to return to work and accept flexible rostering."

Ambrosiano owes banks \$140m

LUXEMBOURG, July 16 (R) — International banks Friday declared the debt-ridden Italian bank, Banco Ambrosiano, in default in repaying \$140 million of loans.

Italy's largest private bank is the object of a major rescue effort and investigation following the disappearance and death of its former president who left behind an estimated \$1.4 billion worth of unsecured loans made by the bank's Latin American subsidiaries.

An official of the West German bank Landesbank Stuttgart said it took default action over a \$25 million loan because of a court order putting the affairs of Banco Ambrosiano's Luxembourg holding company under judicial control.

Two major British banks, Midland and National Westminster, Thursday declared the Italian bank in default on \$115 million in loans.

Midland said it acted against the Italian bank after it failed to meet an interest payment on a \$40 million credit made to the Italian bank's Luxembourg subsidiary. National Westminster followed suit on a \$75 million loan.

Banking sources said that by formally declaring these debts overdue, the creditors hope to put themselves in the best possible position when and if the Italian authorities and others involved in a rescue plan work out a repayment schedule.

The three banks led syndicates made up of other international banks that provided funds to Ambrosiano. In Rome, a source, close to

the Bank of Italy said he saw no immediate effects on Ambrosiano shareholders since the Luxembourg company's debts are frozen by the court action.

The affairs of the holding company, which banking sources said owed an estimated \$300 million have been placed in the hands of a local commissioner in Luxembourg.

Italian press reports Friday said that several unidentified British and Arab banks had already lent Ambrosiano around \$30 million to help cover its more pressing commitments.

The Vatican this week called in three outside experts to examine relations between the Vatican Bank, which with less than two percent is the fourth largest shareholder in Banco Ambrosiano, and the troubled Ambrosiano group.

OPEC to lend \$73.5 million

VIENNA, July 16 (R) — The OPEC Fund of International Development has signed loans totaling \$73.5 million with six Third World Countries, the Open News agency OPECNA reported Friday.

Nicaragua and Somalia will receive balance of payment support loans of \$10 million and \$9 million respectively, it said.

Djibouti will receive \$2.5 million, Kenya \$12 million, Tanzania \$10 million and Bangladesh \$30 million project loans, the agency said.

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Slamming 12th homer of the season

Evans dazzles in Red Sox's win

NEW YORK, July 16 (AP) — Dwight Evans drove in four runs with a homer and a single as the Boston Red Sox defeated the Kansas City Royals 5-3 Thursday night.

Evans keyed a four-run fifth inning with a three-run homer off Royals' starter Larry. The homer, his 12th of the season, was his 10th in his last 24 games and gave Boston a 4-3 lead. He added the single off Mike Armstrong in the seventh.

In other American League action, Don Lynn belted his first career Grand Slam and Dave Goltz homered as the California Angels beat the Cleveland Indians 8-2. Home runs by Barry Buncell and Jesse Barfield backed the eight-hit pitching of Dave Stieb as Toronto defeated Texas 5-1.

Al Bumbry hit a two-run homer and Baltimore reliever Sammy Stewart squelched Seattle's seventh-inning rally, giving the Orioles a 3-2 victory over the Mariners. The

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By Susan Saporito
Houston Bureau

HOUSTON, July 16 — Aside from horses, Kentucky has been famous for its University of Louisville basketball team. But there's a move afoot to determine the acceptance of a National Basketball Association (NBA) franchise in Kentucky.

Some of the NBA's top rookies will compete in an exhibition game at Louisville's Freedom Hall on July 24. Billed as the Roundball Classic, the game will help test the Louisville as a pro basketball city, said former All-American and Louisville native Darrell Griffith, now playing for the Utah Jazz.

Other NBA stars who have agreed to play include Earvin "Magic" Johnson of the Los Angeles Lakers and George "Iceman" Gervin of the San Antonio Spurs.

Promising as much excitement and intensity as a regular-season contest in the NBA, Griffith said competition results whenever talented players meet on the court. The game is part of summer series of exhibitions sponsored by a beverage company in Detroit.

In an encore performance, many of baseball's living legends will take the field again Monday night for a five-inning benefit game in Washington, D.C., for the Cracker Jack Old Timers Baseball Classic.

Played in Robert F. Kennedy Stadium, the former manager of the Brooklyn and Los Angeles Dodgers Walter Alston will lead the National League squad. Some of the stars that Alston has to choose from are: Stan Musial, Hank Aaron, Ralph Kiner and Lou Brock. The American League will feature such notables as Brooks Robinson and Pete Runnels.

Meanwhile, depending on the outcome of an experimental tournament at the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles, baseball could become an official Olympic sport.

Robert Smith, president of the 42-nation International Association of Amateur Baseball (IAAB), said the International Olympic Committee (IOC) will review its bid to have baseball included in future Olympics.

Detroit Tigers erupted for 11 runs in the first inning, highlighted by Larry Nixon's three-run double and capped by Parrish's two-run homer, and crushed the Minnesota Twins 18-2.

Graig Nettles, who popped out with the bases loaded and one out in the sixth inning hit a two-run homer with two out in the eighth to give the New York Yankees a 2-1 victory over the Oakland A's.

In the National League Bruce Benedict drove in three runs with a single and a homer and Dale Murphy hit a one-run shot to lead Atlanta past Chicago 11-4 as Phil Niekro recorded his 247th career victory.

John Candelaria and Rod Scurry combined to pitch a five-hitter and Dave Parker drove in four runs, three with a homer, as Pittsburgh defeated Houston 5-1. Dan Driessner, and Ron Oester backed RBI hits in the third inning, keying a five-run rally that carried

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Eastern Division					Eastern Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB		W	L	Pct.	GB
Milwaukee	50	35	.588	—	Philadelphia	48	38	.558	—
Boston	50	36	.581	½	St. Louis	48	40	.545	1½
Baltimore	45	38	.542	4	Pittsburgh	45	40	.529	2½
Detroit	43	41	.512	6½	Montreal	44	42	.512	4
Cleveland	41	42	.494	8	New York	41	47	.466	8
New York	40	42	.488	8½	Chicago	36	54	.400	14
Toronto	38	47	.447	12					
Western Division					Western Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB		W	L	Pct.	GB
California	50	37	.575	—	Atlanta	52	33	.612	—
Kansas City	47	38	.553	2	San Diego	50	37	.575	30
Chicago	45	39	.536	3½	Los Angeles	46	43	.517	80
Seattle	54	42	.567	5	San Francisco	42	47	.472	12
Texas	35	47	.427	12½	Houston	37	49	.430	15½
					Cincinnati	34	53	.391	19

Argentine upsets Tetscher

BROOKLINE, Massachusetts, July 15 (Agencies) — Top-seeded Guillermo Vilas defeated Tom Cain 7-5, 6-0. But No. 3 Eliot Tetscher was upset Thursday in third-round play in the \$200,000 U.S. Pro Tennis Championships at Longwood club.

Alejandro Gansabal, of Argentina pulled off the biggest surprise of the tournament, in knocking off Tetscher 2-6, 7-6 (7-4), 6-1 to advance to the quarterfinals in the 55th edition of the historic tournament. Fernando Luna of Spain also advanced easily by eliminating Jim Delaney, 6-2, 6-0.

Fourth-seeded Yannick Noah relied on his strong service and blazing speed to top Gilles Moretton, 6-2, 6-2 in the all-French match. It was the sole evening match.

Meanwhile, Jose-Luis Clerc of Argentina blasted his way into the men's singles semifinals of the World Championship Tennis (WCT) Tournament in Vienna Thursday.

He brushed aside the challenge of the Australian David Carter 6-2, 6-0, while Switzerland's Heinz Guenthardt made erratic progress into the last four, losing the first set of his third round match against Casio Motta of Brazil 6-0, before storming back to take the last two sets.

In Bastad, Sweden, Argentina's Gustavo Tiberti, who had to qualify to get into the main draw, trounced Jonathan Smith of England 6-2, 6-1 Thursday to move into the quarterfinals of the \$75,000 Swedish Open Tennis Championships.

nis Championships.

The 22-year-old Rosario Native will next meet Carl-Axel Hageskog of Sweden, another qualifier who topped West German veteran Karl Meiler 5-7, 6-2, 6-4. The Swedish part timer had upset seventh-seeded Australian Davis Cupper John Fitzgerald Wednesday.

Alejandro Cortes of Colombia also won through to the quarters in this clay court tournament with a 6-4, 2-6, 6-4 victory over Carlos Castellan of Argentina.

Britain's Buster Mottram, seeded fourth, was surprised by West German Uli Pinner 6-4, 6-7, 6-3 in the \$75,000 Grand Prix Tennis Tournament in Stuttgart.

In other matches, Sandy Mayer advanced to the quarterfinals beating fellow-American J. Chapman 3-6, 6-2, 6-2, while Yugoslavia's Marco Ostojic outlasted West Germany's Marcos Maurer 6-2, 5-7, 6-2.

The top two seeds, Sylvia Hanika of West Germany and Virginia Ruzici of Romania advanced to the semifinals of the Monte Carlo Women's Tennis Tournament with victories over Catherine Tanvier of France and Andrea Temesvari of Hungary respectively.

Hanika won 7-5, 6-0, while Ruzici rallied for a 2-6, 7-6, 7-6 verdict. Anika now meets Bonnie Gadusek, who ousted Lisa Bonder 6-2, 6-1, while Ruzici takes on Pat Merardo of Brazil, who eliminated No. 3 seed Sue Barker 7-5, 6-2.

Soccer tid-bits

MADRID, (AFP) — The Spanish authorities will not stand in the way of the controversial \$8 million transfer of Argentine World Cup superstar Diego Maradona to Barcelona. The minister for the economy has given the green light to the much-criticized transfer, but has laid down a series of conditions to safeguard the Spanish economy.

LEEDS, Yorkshire, (AFP) — England international winger Peter Barnes can move to Real Betis if the Spanish First Division club can pay the 350,000 pounds sterling fee in a lump sum, Leeds United Chairman Manny Cusins said here Thursday night.

LONDON, (AFP) — England's World Cup goalkeeper, Peter Shilton left London airport Thursday for a sunshine holiday in Florida and said that he has not yet decided about his football future. The Nottingham Forest keeper is wanted by Southampton.

MADRID, (AFP) — Madrid policemen are to be the subject of disciplinary inquiry following an incident during the World Cup. The men are alleged to have "used totally inappropriate means to restore order".

LONDON, (AFP) — Television football pundit Jimmy Hill, at the center of the row over the tour of South Africa, was branded an "overpaid BBC hack" by a Labor MP in the commons Thursday and accused of "conspiring" with a Tory MP to bolster the standing of the South African government.

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SORRY ABOUT IT: West German goalkeeper Harald Schumacher (left) apologizes to French star Patrick Battiston over the World Cup incident which led to Battiston having a broken vertebra and losing two teeth. The two players met at a press conference Thursday night in Metz, France.

Wolves left in quandary

WOLVERHAMPTON, West Midlands, July 16 (AFP) — Wolverhampton Wanderers, relegated from the English First Division last season and facing extinction unless they can find a backer soon, have been left in a quandary by the organizers of the so-called rebel football tour of South Africa.

Every player on the staff has been put on the transfer list and several have been asked to join the tour, managed by former Wolves boss John Barnwell. If they go it would earn the club money — but the risks are high.

Receiver Alan Adam said Wednesday the players are all assets and if they went to South Africa they might be banned, and then they would not be able to sell them. It is a very difficult situation.

Adam was called in ten days ago when Wolves who owe around two and a half million pounds lost the support of their bank. Unless a consortium comes to the rescue, Wolves' Molineux ground will be sold for development and the club, founder members of the English of the Football League will fold.

The local council have already refused to buy the ground and lease it back to the club, but Adam still believes they can be talked into it. The "Pirate" tour will be discussed by the Football Association at their summer meeting in Scarborough this weekend.

They may decide to ban the players involved, especially those who are still under contract to their clubs. Players at the end of their contract could argue that they have a right to earn a living but others, such as Nottingham Forest's young black striker Calvin Plummer, may find they are in trouble.

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Bobby Clampett off to flying start in British Open Golf

TROON, Scotland, July 16 (Agencies) — A five-under-par 67 in unhelpful conditions gave American Bobby Clampett a two-shot lead in the first round of the British Open Golf Championship at Royal Troon Thursday.

The 22-year-old Californian headed tournament favourite and compatriot Tom Watson, three times champion and winner of last month's U.S. Open, and South African Nick Price.

Three Europeans, Ken Brown of Scotland, Irishman Des Smyth and Bernhard Langer of West Germany, were tied for fourth place after rounds of 70.

American Jack Nicklaus carded a five-over-par 77 on the cold and windy course. "But that doesn't put the man out yet. He can still win the tournament and he'll probably

with similar loft to a number two or brassie, which he feels is going to revolutionize the game. He used it most effectively, off the fairways and especially into the wind and onto the middle of the green at the 223-yards 17th.

Clampett, who had the assistance of caddy Peter Colman, the man who successfully piloted Germany's Bernhard Langer to the top of the European money list last season, said the wind was a tremendous factor on what he described as two golf courses — the easy part going out and the difficult bit coming home.

Defending champion Bill Rogers of America thinks Bobby Clampett was at a different course to most other players today. "Clampett's was an unbelievable score," he said after his own one-over par 73. "I don't know where he was, but I found it real tough out there."

"I didn't realize how cold it was until I started playing. It was deceiving on the practice ground and putting green. I lost a lot of feeling in my hands."

The cold weather kept many people away from the first day of the Open championship. Today's crowd was 23,254 — about 3,000 down on 1979 at Royal Lytham, which was the best attended Open in history.

In the difficult conditions, many of the 150-strong field beat par but South African Nick Price and title favorite Tom Watson of America shot 69's. Britain's Ken Brown, who had to qualify, recorded four birdies in the first six holes in a round of 70 while Severiano Ballesteros of Spain, the 1979 champion, was bothered a little by the cold but still managed a 71.

Watson, chasing a rare open "double" after his triumph in America last month, admitted that he changed his "game plan" by hitting driver shots, instead of irons, of three tees going out.

"I am very happy with my round" said Watson. "Sixty-nine is a terrific score in these conditions but 67 is a perfect one." I'm not surprised at all by Clampett's round. It is only a matter of time until he wins a tournament."

Price, 25, of South Africa, but resident of Zimbabwe for 21 years, like Clampett, came home in a best-of-the-day 35. Price, hoping to improve on his 22nd place in last year's Open, also had six birdies and followed Watson's lead with a three-iron to the middle of the 18th green, leaving him with an eight-foot putt to join the American in second place.

Sixteen-year-old Magnus Persson, the youngest player taking part sunk a 20-foot putt to avoid going into double figures at the treacherous 11th hole.

The Swedish teenager twice had to take a penalty drop after hooking his ball into bushes and his fifth shot disappeared over the railway on the other side of the fairway.



Old... a breezy 55

Tulsa nets three in 16-minute spell

TULSA, Oklahoma, July 16 (AP) — Tulsa's Laurie Abrahams of England scored twice to lead the goal-stingy Roughnecks to a 3-0 victory over Tampa Bay Rowdies in North American Soccer League action Thursday night.

The victory was Tulsa's third straight and gave the second-place Southern Division team 104 points, fifth in NASL rankings. The team has allowed the position on goal in its last three matches.

Abrahams started a scoring binge of three goals in 16 minutes when he took a pass from Kurpa and hit a left-footed shot from about 12 yards out at 29:30. Krupa got a goal himself at 34:51, gathering in a loose ball and pushing it past Tampa Bay goalie Jack Brand, a Canadian.

Abrahams closed out the victory just 25 seconds into the final half, stealing the ball from West German Peter Nogly and outdribbling Brand for his 13th goal of the year.

Meanwhile, Chicago Sting midfielder Karl-Heinz Granitz scored two goals in a 3-1 victory over the San Jose Earthquakes, in another NASL action.

Four share chess lead

CANARY ISLANDS, July 16 (AP) — Top favorite Jan Timman of Holland Zoltan Ribli Smislov. Soviet Union, shared top place Thursday after the third round of the Inter-Zone Chess Tournament.

Timman, playing with black pieces and with a Nimzo-India defense, defeated Jozsef Pieter, Hungary, in 47 moves. Ribli, playing white, drew with Walter Browne, United States, with a Queen's India defense, in 15 moves. Larsen, playing with black pieces, and with Pogo-India defense, also drew with former world champion Tigran Petrosian, Soviet Union, in 23 moves.

Yorkshire gets home with 3 balls to spare

LONDON, July 16 (AFP) — Yorkshire, starting defeat in the face, staged an incredible recovery to reach the quarterfinals of the Nat West Bank Cricket Trophy at Headingley Thursday.

David Bairstow — who won the man-of-the-match with a superb 92 — Chris Old, Neil Hartley and Graham Stevens on, were the heroes as Yorkshire, against all the odds, beat Worcestershire by three wickets with only three balls to spare.

It was a result that hardly seemed possible when play resumed Thursday with Yorkshire struggling at a miserable 40 for four chasing Worcestershire's 286 for five.

But Bairstow and Hartley (58) had other ideas, belting the Worcestershire attack for 95 for the fifth-wicket in 25 overs before Hartley was bowled for 55.

Phil Carrick went cheaply, but Bairstow and new partner Old, going all-out for the runs, cracked 102 in 15 overs and after Bairstow had gone, Old and Stevenson played the bewildered Worcester bowlers for the 46 runs needed for victory off only 23 balls. Old made 55.

Gloucestershire openers Andy Stovold

and Chris Broad steered their side to a convincing nine-wicket win over Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge.

Man-of-the-match Stovold, who finished unbeaten on 76, and Broad (59), put on 126, making the Notts' total of 142 look derisory by comparison.

Only Eddie Hemmings, selected by England for one-day ties against Pakistan, contained the batsmen, conceding 17 runs in his 12 overs, but his efforts were not enough to prevent Notts plunging to a third successive defeat on their own ground.

A dashing 60 by England's David Gower was not enough to save Leicestershire from a 63-run defeat at the hands of Somerset at Taunton. Leicestershire, chasing 272, could manage only 11 in the first 11 overs from England's Ian Botham and West Indian Joel Garner.

Gower, with a six and four fours, offered most of the early resistance, but once he had fallen to Vic Marks, and Garner had bagged three more wickets, the visitors had little else to offer. Garner took four for 23 in Leicestershire's 208 for nine.

West Indian paceman Andy Roberts kept

the crowd entertained to the end, with a happy-go-lucky 46 in ten overs, including three sixes off his fellow Antiguan, Viv Richards.

Warwickshire duly took their place in the quarterfinals, beating Glamorgan by six wickets at Cardiff. It was a formality for the visitors, who needed only 63 off 23 overs, and opener Andy Lloyd made sure there would be no slip-ups with a solid 52 to put them on the road to victory.

London's two games were once again disrupted by rain, and will go into their third day Friday. Only 195 minutes play was possible at the Oval, where Surrey restricted Northamptonshire to 173 for two in 50 overs — England's Geoff Cook making a half-century. Meanwhile at Lord's Middlesex reached 204 for nine off their 60 overs thanks mainly to former England captain Mike Brearley's 66.

In Glasgow, the Pakistani tourists drew their match against Scotland when rain washed out the second day's play. Pakistan had made 351 for four declared with Wasim Raja making 174 and Javed Miandad 54 not out. In reply Scotland had made 111 for five, with skipper Imran Khan taking all five wickets for 34 runs.

Gomez-Rubaldino bout set for Aug. 15

Moore confident of beating Kalule

ATLANTIC CITY, New Jersey, July 16 (AFP) — Ayub Kalule of Uganda steps into the ring against Davey Moore of the United States here Saturday, aiming to win back his World Boxing Association light-middleweight title.

Kalule, 38, who for the past six years has been living in Denmark, won the title in October 1979, when he beat Masasabai Kudo, successfully defended the title four times, and finally lost it on a ninth round knock-out to Sugar Ray Leonard in June 1981.

That was the only defeat in his career, against 40 victories, and since losing the title, he has fought and won four times.

A fine technical boxer and a great stylist, Kalule is more than capable of regaining the title from Moore, who is five years his junior, but it is likely to be a hard, bruising battle.

Moore, who is quoted as 5-2 favorite to successfully defend the title for a second time, knows Kalule's style, having acted as sparring partner for the then champion in the build-up to his fight with Leonard in Houston, Texas just over a year ago. And the champion is in no doubt about the outcome on Saturday night. "Kalule is an excellent boxer, but I honestly think I am better than him," he said.

Unbeaten in ten fights, winning them all within the distance, the 23-year-old Moore also won the title in Japan, beating another Japanese fighter Tadashi Mihara in Tokyo in February this year. His only fight since then was in Johannesburg in April when he knocked out South African challenger Charley Weir in the fifth round.

A powerful two-hand puncher, Moore is a stylish, elegant and — as his record shows — effective boxer, with the ability to take a punch and not let himself be demoralized when things are not going all his own way. It is not easy fight to predict, but it would appear

that the bookmakers have got it just about right, with Moore's resilience and hard punching likely to prove a bit too much for the cool, calm and stylish approach of the former champion.

Meanwhile, Wilfredo Gomez of Puerto Rico will defend his World Boxing Council light-featherweight title for the 16th time next month against the Mexican Roberto Rubaldino. It was announced in New York Thursday.

The fight will take place on August 15, but

the venue has yet to be decided. Originally, Gomez was to have met Rubaldino at Madison Square Gardens on August 18, but New York promoter Don King was unable to book the venue, and the fight was brought forward three days.

Gomez, 25, has held the title since May 1977, when he knocked out South Korean Yum Bon-Kyun in the 12th round, and has clocked up 36 victories in his career, against one defeat and one drawn fight.

Rubaldino, the Mexican featherweight champion, has won 47 of his 49, fights.

France's Hinault keeps overall lead

PAU, July 16 (AFP) — Ireland's Sean Kelly sprinted home to take the 12th stage of the Tour of France Road Cycling race here Thursday, as the Tour moved into the mountains of the Pyrenees.

This devastating 249-kilometers trek was a sore test for riders, who are less at home on steep terrain. First to suffer was former World Road Race champion Gerrie Knetemann of the Netherlands, who was lying second overall after the individual time trial Wednesday.

The first hair-pin bends of the Soaloc pass saw him left struggling behind the field,

Other victims of the mountains were Italy's Giovanni Botaglin. France's Jean-Rene Bernaudeau and Belgians Daniel Willems and Fons De Wolf.

France's Andre Halmel was the first to break away taking the lead after 130 kilometers at the top of the Soaloc pass. But Switzerland's Beat Bruen and Spain's Marino Loxireta rapidly gained on him.

Three-times four winner Bernard Hinault of France snatched eleventh place to retain the leader's yellow jersey which he took from Australian Phil Anderson on Bastille Day Wednesday.

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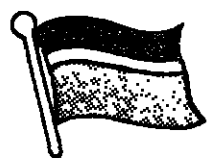
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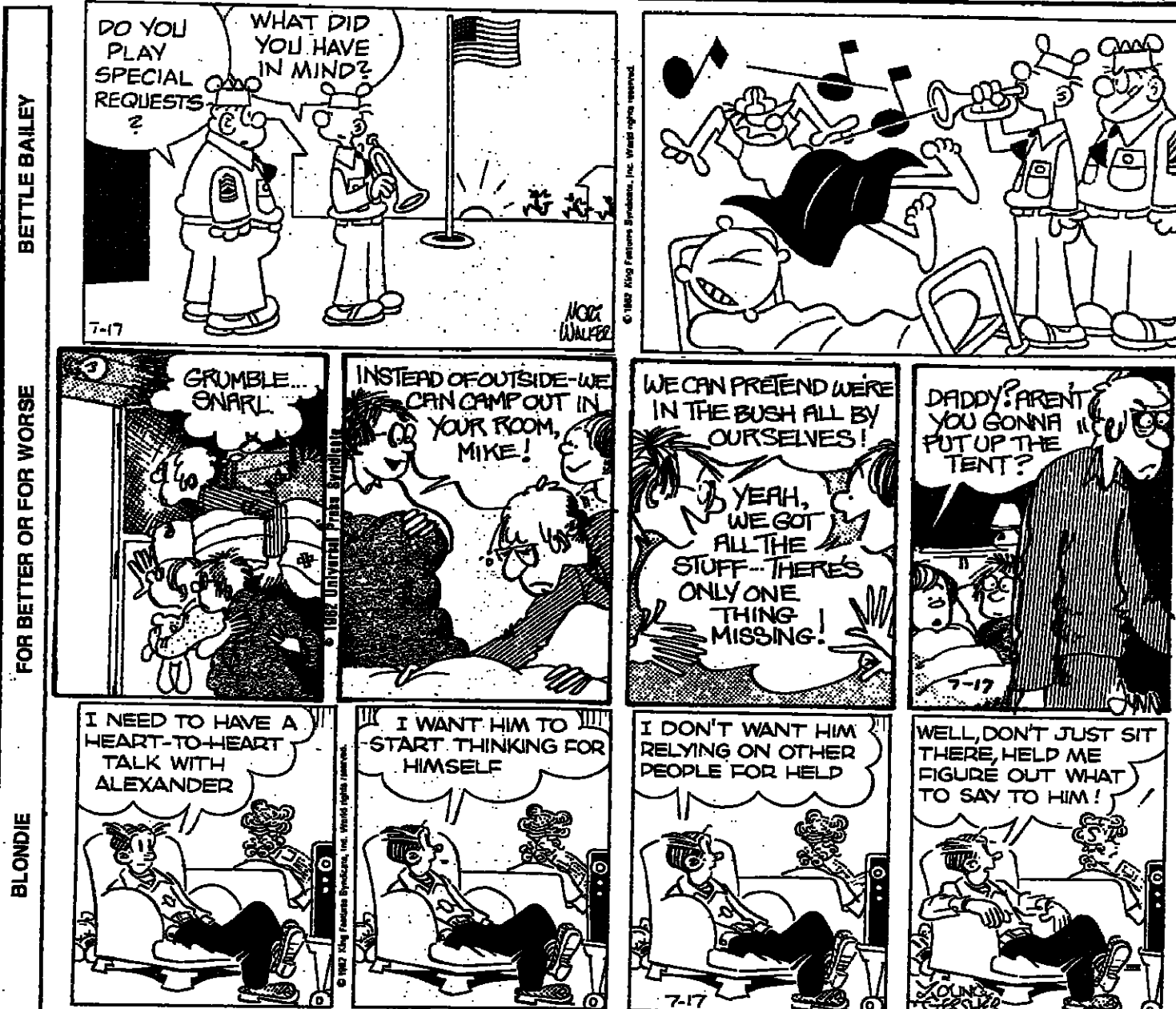
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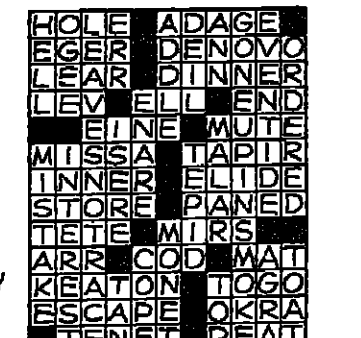
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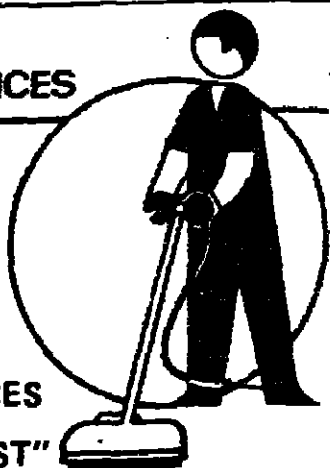
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International

CIA accused of complicity

Rightists attack Nicaragua posts

MANAGUA, July 16 (R) — Defense minister Humberto Ortega has accused the United States Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) of complicity in an invasion of Nicaragua by groups of well-equipped rightists bent on ousting the leftist leadership here.

Ortega told an army meeting Thursday that about 100 persons had been killed in fighting between Nicaraguan regulars and what he called counterrevolutionary invaders.

He said the rightists, followers of the late Nicaraguan dictator Anastasio Somoza, were armed with modern weapons supplied by the CIA. According to Nicaragua's deputy interior minister, the invaders slipped across the border with arms and attacked several border posts.

In Washington, a senior U.S. official confirmed what he described as limited military action along the border but said it could not be characterized as an invasion. The Honduran government described the invasion

report as absurd and protested alleged Nicaraguan shelling along the border zone inside Honduras.

There have been no independent accounts of the extent of the current military action. The United States sees Nicaragua as a launching pad for Marxist revolution in Central America and has cut off aid to the Sandinista government, accusing it of funneling weapons to the leftist guerrillas who are fighting the army in El Salvador.

A day before the Nicaraguans reported an invasion, U.S. President Reagan received Honduran President Roberto Suazo Cordova and promised him help against what he called terrorist attacks. Reagan has proposed increasing military aid to Honduras next year. Last March, Nicaragua's leftist leaders declared a state of emergency, saying they feared a U.S.-backed invasion from Honduras.

Meanwhile, a Nicaraguan official said in Madrid his country was "obliged" to support

leftist guerrillas in Honduras because attacks have been launched against Nicaragua from Honduran territory.

Nicaraguan junta coordinator Daniel Ortega Saavedra said in an interview published in Madrid Thursday that his country had been attacked in "eight places" from Honduras and this situation could lead to generalized war throughout Central America.

"All these operations benefit from the support of the Ronald Reagan administration," Major Ortega told the daily *El Pais*. He said that although Nicaragua wanted to sit down at the negotiation table with the United States, "Washington is posing inadmissible prior conditions."

On the Soviet Union, Major Ortega said the Soviet Union had shown a "very respectful attitude" toward Nicaragua. "It has set no conditions for its aid and respects our position...Our relations with the USSR as with Spain, Mexico, Venezuela and France are exemplary."

U.S. policies cause dismay, Russian says

MOSCOW, July 16 (R) — A senior Soviet expert on the United States accused the Reagan administration of playing with fire in its foreign policy but held out hopes of an improvement in East-West relations.

Georgy Arbatov, head of the Soviet Institute for the United States and Canada, said Reagan had caused dismay in the Soviet Bloc and among Washington's allies since he took office 18 months ago.

His remarks were contained in an article published in the Communist Party newspaper *Pravda*. "The course of confrontation between the United States and the Soviet Union is creating an atmosphere, an international situation which favors the outbreak and the deepening of conflicts. This is playing with fire and it is dangerous for all, including the instigator," he said.

Professor Arbatov, whose institute provides backup for Kremlin policymakers, said Washington's stated commitment to nuclear arms control seemed, so far, to be nothing more than a maneuver to assuage West European critics.

"Moreover, for every peaceful solution, so it seems, there are several military actions apparently designed to confirm the inflexibility of the Reagan administration, its reluctance to renounce militaristic, rabidly anti-Soviet policies," Arbatov said.

He described the administration as an ideologically rigid group, which had declared a political war on the Soviet Union and on liberal opponents inside the United States.

"It seems many (West) Europeans fear that the present U.S. administration could spread this battle to their countries and that in some places they have already begun interfering in their internal affairs, trying to destabilize liberals and Social Democrats and strengthen the right wing position," he added.

Despite the generally gloomy picture of the situation, Arbatov suggested the Geneva nuclear arms talks provided some grounds for hope of an improvement in Soviet-U.S. relations.

"If the dialogue between the Soviet Union and the United States continues to deepen, the (arms) negotiations go successfully and cooperation develops, then we can avoid...conflicts, quickly localize them and reach peaceful solutions," he said.

Briton emerges out of hidey-hole

MANCHESTER, July 16 (AFP) — A father of six has come out of an eight-year hidey-hole under the floor of his lounge in Wigan, near here, court sources reported Thursday night.

Norman Green, 42, "disappeared" in 1974 after being questioned by police about a robbery in an elderly woman's home. During his first two years of hiding, Green never came out of his 50-centimeter — deep hole, hidden by a carpet and couch. His wife Pauline, the only person who knew he was there, supplied him with food when the children were absent. Later, Green dared come out when no one was at home.

But the first time his children caught a glimpse of him, they took him for a stranger. Green had lost all his teeth and around 40 kg. The police discovered his hidey-hole recently but decided to drop the burglary charges after taking his eight years of misery into consideration.

"Thank God it's over," Green said.

U.S. exercises put off

NORFOLK, Virginia, July 16 (AP) — The U.S. Atlantic Fleet has called off one naval exercise, postponed a second and cut back on other operations because it is running out of money to operate ships.

The lack of funds to buy fuel to operate ships has been caused by a dramatic increase in operations throughout the year in the Mediterranean, the Atlantic and the Indian Oceans.



GREETING: Giani Zail Singh, India's president-elect, being greeted by Rajiv Gandhi (right), son of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, as admirers of Singh look on.

Indians hail Zail's election

NEW DELHI, July 16 (AFP) — Giani Zail Singh's election Thursday as India's seventh president received a near-unanimous welcome Friday from the public and press.

The sole discordant note was from opposition Lok Dal (people's party) leader and former Prime Minister Charan Singh who termed it "a great misfortune for the country" and predicted that "dark days are ahead". But rival candidate H.R. Khanna, a former Supreme Court judge, called on Singh and extended good wishes.

In the president-elect's home state of

Punjab, his supporters danced in the streets and let off fireworks.

The Indian constitution gives the president no executive powers and he acts on the advice of the cabinet. But he is seen as a moral counterweight to the prime minister and could embarrass the government by withholding his formal approval of important legislation.

The opposition is bound to watch Singh carefully and pounce on him if he does not prove strong enough to oppose Prime Minister Indira Gandhi on important issues. Singh is Mrs. Gandhi's candidate.

Sri Lanka hijacker freed on bail

COLOMBO, July 16 (R) — A magistrate ordered the release of hijacker Sepala Ekanayake on bail of 500,000 rupees (\$25,000) here Friday.

Ekanayake, a 33-year-old Sri Lankan, was remanded in prison July 4, charged with extortion and keeping stolen cash after he hijacked an Italian airliner to Bangkok last month. He threatened to blow up the aircraft, which had 261 persons aboard, and received a ransom of \$300,000.

Friday, he was brought in handcuffs to a packed court amid tight security. The magistrate rejected a request by the state that Ekanayake be remanded for another two

weeks.

The state counsel accused Ekanayake of conspiring to hijack the Alitalia Boeing 747 and said his release would hamper further inquiries. But Ekanayake's lawyer said no evidence of a conspiracy had been placed before the court.

The magistrate ordered Ekanayake to provide cash bail of 250,000 rupees (\$12,500) and an equivalent sum as personal bail. Ekanayake's uncle provided surety. The hijacker will have to report daily to the police in his home village and weekly to the criminal investigation department in Colombo. A new hearing of the case will be held on Aug. 19.

With 100-point program

Party woos young Poles

WARSAW, July 16 (R) — Poland's Communist leadership has urged the country's embittered youth to forget ideas of replacing the Socialist system and to work for a strong, just and safe state. During a special debate on problems of youth at a party central committee meeting, Young Poles were told they must give up their easy-going life style, and identify with the goals of the Communist Party, press reports said Friday.

The meeting, which continued Friday, was called to examine ways to bridge the gap between young people and the Communist rulers.

The leadership said anti-socialist ideas were spread while the suspended Solidarity trade union movement was still active during 1980-81. Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, head of the ruling military council, told the meeting that the authorities sincerely sought understanding with youth.

He said that it was "the bitterness of young people and their striving for change which became the main force behind the impetuosity of Solidarity," whose 16-month challenge to the Communist rulers led to the military

takeover last December.

Gen. Jaruzelski said it was a great social tragedy that "youthful romanticism and readiness for sacrifice were exploited for a political gamble." He added: "We sincerely want understanding and this requires us to forget the errors born of momentary impulse, of false inspiration."

The meetings was presented with a 100-point program of proposals to help young people, in fields including housing, jobs and agriculture. The Communist Party drew up similar guidelines for helping young people at a special session 10 years ago and a number of members Friday, including Gen. Jaruzelski, remarked on the failure to implement them.

The general told the plenum many of the promises made then were unfeasible and "detached from social realities."

According to official statistics one in three high school graduates seeking jobs this year will find nothing corresponding to their training as Poland's austere economic reform program bites into major sectors of the employment market.

Salvador reforms defended

SAN SALVADOR, July 16 (R) — El Salvador's defense minister has defended the country's record on agrarian reform after a U.S. official said military aid would be cut off unless progress was made in redistribution of land.

"It is absolutely false to say there has been no progress on land reform," Jose Guillermo Garcia told Reuters. "The armed forces are guarantors of the process and will see to it that the program will be completed."

Gen. Garcia was reacting to a statement by Assistant Secretary of State Thomas Enders Thursday that the United States would cut off military aid to El Salvador unless there was "strong evidence of progress on land reform, titles, protection against eviction and compensation."

Enders told a U.S. Senate Appropriations Subcommittee that President Reagan would certify continued aid for El Salvador only if all congressional requirements were fulfilled.

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Fiji counts votes today

SUVA, Fiji July 16 (AP) — The most acrimonious election since Fiji's independence from Britain in 1970 ends when counting of votes that will decide if the Indian majority or the native Fijians will govern the multi-racial country for the next three years, begins Saturday.

The alliance Party of Prime Minister Sir Ratu Kamisese Mara, which represents the Fijian community, has held office since independence. Voting for the 52-seat parliament has been underway for a week at polling stations throughout the 320 islands that make up this 18,367-square-kilometer Pacific country of 640,000 persons.

Election officials indicated Friday the voter turnout was high among the Fijian people who make up 46 percent of the nation, but unexpectedly low among Indians who number half the population. In a country that has no television station, a television program has dominated the last week of the campaign.

An Australian Broadcasting Commission television program, "Four Corners," which alleged Mara's Alliance Party had received help from Australian consultants and Australian government, has provoked a local political sensation.

The Indian-dominated opposition National Federation Party (NFP) immediately ran off 300 videotapes of the program and distributed them around the country for showing on video cassette players. They also showed them at polling booths and movie theaters and advertised screening times in newspapers.

Diplomats and other observers said the program brought the Fijian people solidly behind Mara, the Oxford-educated hereditary chief. They felt he and all Fijians had been insulted by a comment from the reporter who said the ancestors of today's Fijian leaders had "plunged and eaten their way to power."

Fiji was once called the cannibal isles and was noted for the ferocity of its people. Reliable sources on Mara's staff said the prime minister was infuriated by the remark and the program was considering action against the persons concerned.

Mara is opposed by a 45-year-old lawyer of the NFP. The NFP won more seats than the Alliance Party in the last elections but couldn't form a government because it couldn't agree on who should lead it.

Fijians number 46 percent of the population, Indians make up 50 percent and the remainder are mostly Europeans, Chinese and people of mixed races.

Since many of the votes have to come by boats from outlying islands counting will continue through Saturday night. Most citizens will probably stay up listening to their radios for the results, expected at about 4 a.m. local time Sunday.

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Hmm! It's suction is not reduced by accumulated dirt, thanks to the new design. That's new! Cleans overstuffed furniture, automobile interiors, bedding, curtains and drapes. Great! dusts your window screens, bookshelves and books, fur garments, lamps, lampshades and venetian blinds. Wow! But that's not all.

Filter Queen cleanses the air of smoke, foul air and deodorizes the rooms as it cleans them. Amazing!

With optional attachments — a 10 or 14-inch Bare Floor Brush Tool, it is ideally suited for cleaning rough surface flooring, even concrete! A Hair Dryer that dries your hair in minutes. A Vibrator for that great-to-be-alive feeling. A Massage unit to give an invigorating scalp massage. And there are other applications too. Sounds fantastic!

No wonder, Filter Queen is called the complete home sanitation system.

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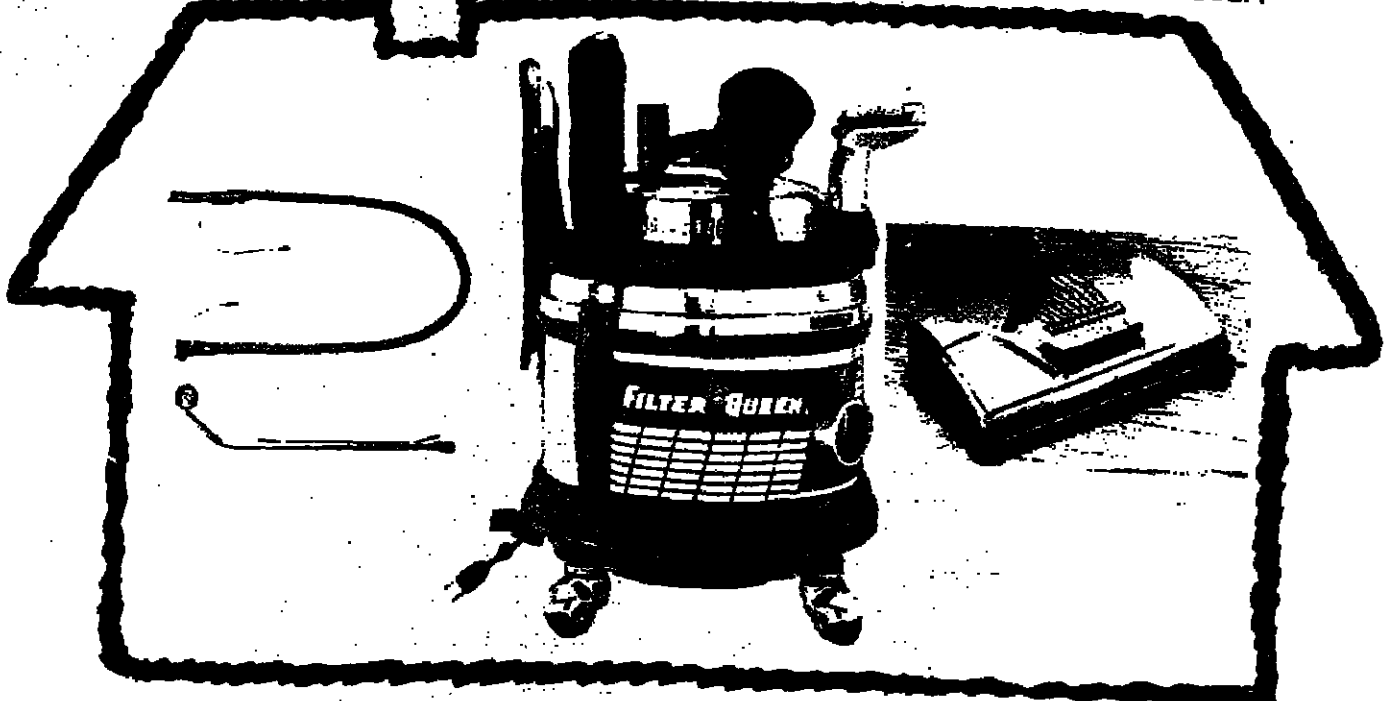
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